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# THE MESSAGE IS SENT.

## Recognition of Independence Undesirable. Asks For Discretionary Powers.

### Maine Disaster Shows Spain's Weakness. "The War Must Stop." General Blanco Declares Armistice Today.

(Special Dispatch to The Transcript)

Washington, April 11.—After many delays, the President's message was sent to congress at noon today. Spain's last wild attempt to put off the inevitable failed, and action is now in the hands of congress.

The message favors intervention and asks discretionary powers, but is opposed to recognition. Its attitude is clear and strong on that subject. It says that to recognize the so-called republic would entangle this country in confusing international relations that would make the solution of the whole affair doubly difficult.

The reception of the message was mild even on the part of its friends, and from the Democratic side groans showed how thoroughly anxious the members were for something stronger. In both senate and house the message and correspondence was promptly submitted to the committees and action is expected tomorrow.

#### MESSAGE IN DETAIL.

President Reviews History of Cuban Struggle and States His Position.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 11.—1 p. m.—The president's message was sent to congress immediately on opening. It began as follows:

TO CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES: It becomes my duty to address your body with regard to the grave crisis that has arisen in the relations of the United States to Spain by reason of the warfare that for three years has raged in Cuba. The present revolution is a successor to others extending over half a century. The President reviews in detail the various revolutions and attendant results upon commerce and relations with us.

It reviews the efforts of Cleveland to effect peace in '98 which failed because Spain then would consider absolutely no terms of settlement. The policy of devastation and concentration was then inaugurated, unprecedented in the history of civilized nations.

By March of last year the mortality exceeded 50 per cent of their total number. It was not civilized warfare. It was extermination. The only peace it could beget was a wilderness and the grave. The overtures of this government looking to an immediate amelioration of the condition on the island were met by assurances that home rule would be granted without waiting to end the war.

In December an appeal was issued for relief of the starving Cubans. A relief committee was appointed and accomplished much. Nearly \$200,000 in money and supplies has already reached the sufferers. Thousands of lives have been saved. The war in Cuba is of such a nature that nothing short of subjugation or extermination will give a final military victory for either side. The alternative lies in the physical exhaustion of one or the other party.

Continuing the message says: "Realizing this it appeared to be my duty to take steps to bring about the immediate termination of war. On March 27 I submitted a proposition to the Spanish government looking to an armistice until October for negotiation of peace with the good offices of the president. In addition I asked immediate reversion of the recognition order. The reply was that such an offer would have to be referred to the insular parliament, and as this does not meet until May 4 Spain would accept a suspension of hostilities only if asked for by insurgents. Negotiations were then brought to an end.

"In my message of December 1 I said that there remains only the recognition of the insurgents as belligerents, recognition of the independence of Cuba, neutral intervention to end the war. Forbidding annexation cannot be thought of. That would be criminal aggression."

The president reiterated at great length the contest between Texas and Mexico and quoted Grant and Jackson. He said their words show that recognition of independent statehood is not due to a being subjugated by the parent state has entirely passed away.

From the standpoint of expediency I do not think it would be wise nor prudent for this government to recognize at the present time the independence of the so-called Cuban republic. Such recognition is unnecessary to enable the United States to intervene to pacify the island. To commit this country now to recognition would subject us to embarrassing conditions of international obligations.

When it shall appear hereafter that there is within the island a government capable of performing the duties, discharging the functions of a separate nation, such government can promptly and readily be recognized and relations and interests of the United States with such a nation adjusted.

vention in many ways. The spirit of all our acts has been an earnest desire for peace.

Forbidding intervention to stop the war is justifiable on rational grounds. These are: In the cause of humanity to end the barbarities; it is especially our duty, for it is right at our door; we owe it to our citizens in Cuba to afford them protection; serious injury to our commerce and trade; wanton destruction of property and devastation on the island; lastly, the present condition of affairs in Cuba is a constant menace to peace and entails great expense to our government.

The lives of our citizens are in constant danger, our vessels liable to seizure at our very doors. These elements of danger strikingly illustrated by the tragic destruction of the Maine. Naval inquiry did not place the responsibility, which remains to be fixed. The destruction by whatever exterior cause is impressive proof of the state of things in Cuba, which is intolerable.

The condition is such that the Spanish government cannot assure the safety of a vessel of the American navy in Havana harbor on a mission of peace, and rightly there. Spain has expressed deep regret and readiness to submit to arbitration all the differences in this matter.

Long trial has proved that the object for which Spain has waged war cannot be attained. It is plain that the fire of insurrection cannot be extinguished by present methods. In the name of humanity, civilization, in behalf of endangered American interests which give us the right and duty to speak and act, war in Cuba must stop.

#### The Message Referred.

Washington, April 11.—The reading of the message concluded at 12:50 in the senate. It was immediately referred to committee on foreign relations. It was concluded at the same time in the house. It was greeted with scattering applause from the Republican side and groans from the Democratic side. The galleries made no demonstration. It was referred to the committee on foreign affairs. Senator Stewart took the floor after the reading of the message and said that intervention without recognition would look like conquest.

#### New Cruisers Reach America.

Halifax, April 11.—The cruisers New Orleans and San Francisco from London put in here this morning short of coal after a stormy passage.

#### Woodford's Probable Movements.

Madrid, April 11.—It is said that Woodford leaves here today and will be accompanied by an escort of gendarmes. The ambassadors meet at the Italian embassy today.

#### ARMISTICE DECLARED TODAY.

Gen. Blanco Issues Proclamation of Temporary Peace.

Washington, April 11.—11 a. m.—The state department today received Gen. Blanco's proclamation ordering cessation of hostilities in Cuba. It was cabled to the Spanish minister and he delivered it to the department.

It reads: "His majesty's government, yielding to the reiterated wish expressed by His Holiness, the Pope, has been pleased to decree a suspension of hostilities with the object of preparing and facilitating a restoration of peace in the island. Therefore from the day following the receipt of this proclamation in each locality, hostilities are ordered suspended." Up to 10:40 nothing had occurred to change the Spanish-Cuban situation.

No suggestion has come from Spain that the proposed cessation of hostilities will lead to anything more tangible than an advanced autonomy. Indeed, Minister Bernabe called at the state department yesterday afternoon and presented a formal document, which stated in many words that autonomy was what his government had in view. He declared that the queen regent of Spain had commanded General Blanco to proclaim an armistice without conditions, and that her majesty's government had granted liberal institutions to the island of Cuba, which the coming Cuban parliament would develop. Recalling the condolence and sympathy expressed by the queen regent and her government on the disaster of the Maine, and the horrors this disaster had occasioned in Spanish hearts, and appealing to the courtesy and sense of justice of the United States government to enlighten public opinion upon the attitude of Spain, the note also requests the offer of the Spanish government to submit the Maine question to experts designated by the maritime powers of the world.

It appears that the Sagasta ministry has never for a moment considered anything in the nature of independence, and it is as certain now as it seemed a week ago that independence will not be agreed to by the government at Madrid. If the United States desires to secure the freedom of Cuba, which is the only assurance of the permanent pacification of the island, it must intervene by force to bring it about.

The spirit as well as the letter of the

Spanish note is regrettable in so far as it most earnest desire on the part of Spain to keep the peace and to make every possible concession to the United States in order to achieve this end. President McKinley states the facts for the information of congress and suggests the possibility that this latest phase of the matter may contain reasons why congress should proceed with caution.

In that part of his message which was written earlier in the week the president has made a few changes, the most important one being a strengthening of the suggestion or intimation that the execution be given discretion as to the date upon which the authority for armed intervention shall be exercised, in order to give some little opportunity for learning how much of value or promise there is in Spain's latest efforts to secure peace in Cuba.

That the document is in some respects unsatisfactory to the president himself and to the members of his cabinet is admitted. The recommendations are not decisive and positive enough to be regarded as forming a distinct policy. Responsibility for action is really thrown upon congress, with the executive suggestion that congress should so act as to permit of a few days of delay, at the president's discretion, before actually starting the work of ejecting Spain from the island by force, which means war.

During the minister's call, he notified the president that the war had come from Havana that General Blanco had been prompt in executing the orders of the queen regent and that the proclamation of armistice had been duly promulgated. The first effect of this will be to bring about a complete cessation of all Spanish hostilities throughout the island. The Spanish troops will for the time being go into "garrison."

Their disposition has not even been considered for much depends upon the duration of the armistice and the course of the insurgents. If the insurgents continue their fighting and make attacks on the troops, the situation will become complicated, for it is hardly believed that the Spanish forces will lay down their arms for any length of time if they continue to be under fire. The attitude of the insurgent advisers at Washington is that of rejecting the armistice. There is little doubt, however, that strong influences will now be brought to bear to induce the insurgents to suspend hostilities so that terms for a complete settlement may be reached. One of the ambassadors at Washington pointed out that the influence of the pope was relied upon to a considerable extent with the insurgents, as they are a part of a country which is thoroughly Catholic and loyal to Rome. While the influence of the great powers is not likely to be exerted in any material way against the insurgents, yet this influence will be brought to bear as far as possible from moral standpoints. The influence of the United States government will also be a material factor in case the present crisis between the United States and Spain is averted and the armistice is accepted in Washington as a tentative ground for the solution of the Cuban problem.

The attitude of congress on the general subject is problematic. During recent days the feeling in both houses has been intense, and it remains to be seen whether the changed conditions brought about by the armistice will suffice to allay this feeling. Resolutions authorizing intervention are already prepared, but these were framed when the diplomatic negotiations were in a deadlock. A leading Republican member of the house committee on foreign affairs expressed the opinion that the armistice, instead of relieving the situation, would only aggravate it. He believed that this country would not rest short of the complete obliteration of the Spanish authority over any part of Cuban territory. "There is every reason why Spain should want an armistice now, and it might be significant as a central motive that the rainy season, with all the horrors it has to the unaccustomed Spanish soldiers, will set in within three weeks and continue until about November. Everybody knows what its effects have been on the troops sent over from the peninsula, and in the present contingency, with Spain's resources practically exhausted, continued activity of the insurgents, coupled with the fatal work of the season, would, I think, mean a fatal termination of the Spanish cause in the conflict."

"If the objects are relief for the hoped-for avoidance of action," his country, and delay with the insurgents until a more auspicious season. In that view, I am against its consideration for a moment. Our position at this time with reference to Spain contemplates first, intervention in humanity's cause, which would not be fulfilled by anything short of the entire sweeping away of the Spanish sovereignty; second, the destruction of the Maine. I do not believe that the armistice at this time will have any bearing on our attitude."

Hisory Making Week.

Washington, April 11.—Today saw the opening of a history making week in the national halls of legislation. With the gravity of the situation confronting them, members on both sides have been sobered, and seem impressed with the idea that things should proceed in a regular and orderly way. It seems almost certain now that there will be a conflict both to the committee and in the house as to the nature of the resolution upon which the house will vote tomorrow upon to act. The Democrats have taken an unequivocal position in favor of the recognition of independence, although there is a difference of opinion as to whether intervention should follow. A majority of the Republicans of the committee have within a few days declared themselves for intervention and independence. In the desire of the Republicans of both houses to secure harmony of action, some of the advocates of independence have about come to the conclusion that the difference between armed intervention and recognition is more technical than substantial, as, unless the island should be annexed, to which they are opposed, a republican form of government must follow.

The tendency in the senate is to confine the congressional fulmination to be handed in tomorrow to a declaration for armed intervention, leaving the recognition of independence to come later. It now appears probable that the foreign relations committee will report in favor of this course, though not without some dissent. If the meeting of the committee to be held before the receipt of the message should develop that such action can be secured from the committee and in a way to insure harmonious action on the report in the senate then there probably would be no occasion for a discussion in the form of a resolution taking up the real question at issue.

A resolution scarcely can get through the senate without arousing some discussion, as there are senators who are opposed to any action at all, whether for intervention or independence. Senator White of California is one of these, and he will probably discuss any resolution reported. There are several senators who now say that they will insist upon the recognition of independence in any action taken, and that they will be heard from in opposition to any measure that does not provide for this.

Disposition of Spanish Craft.  
Washington, April 11.—In view of the anticipated emergency, Spain's disposition of her best fighting craft has puzzled naval experts. Vizcaya and the Oquendo, with the assistance of the protected Alfonso XIII, and the flotilla of gunboats in Cuban waters, would stand a poor show against the magnificent squadrons under command of Captain W. T. Sampson and Commodore W. S. Schley. That Spain realizes how poorly the Vizcaya and Oquendo would fare if the Key West squadron succeeded in blocking egress from Havana harbor was shown by the departure of those armorclads from Havana. It is believed that the Alfonso XIII will also be withdrawn from Havana harbor, and that at the first resort to hostilities all the little gunboats engaged in enforcing the practical blockade of the smaller Cuban cities will be sent away.

As nearly as leading naval experts can figure it out, Spain intends to abandon the marine protection of Cuba after a declaration of war and to concentrate her fleet at some point where the strategic advantage would be greater. The indications are that the Spanish fleet will concentrate at Cape Verde islands, where the opportunity would be awaited of striking a blow at the forces of the United States. It is believed here that the Vizcaya and Oquendo will ultimately show up at St. Vincent, joining there the Cristobal Colon, the Marie Teresa and the torpedo craft St. Vincent is 2500 miles from Cuba. It is the intention of Spain to compel the United States to seek out her naval force at that great distance from America, thus complicating the situation. This would prolong the war indefinitely, although Cuba would be freed from Spanish yoke in short order.

Queensland Still Works.  
Washington, April 11.—Gonzalo De Quesada has issued a statement to show that the insurgents have a regularly organized civil government whose independence can be recognized. The constitution determines what is called the republic, who are citizens, their individual and political rights, the officers of the government, their powers and provinces for the assembling of the representatives. The principal cities are: Article 6.—Cubans and foreigners will be protected in their religious opinions and in the practice of their respective cults, as long as these are not opposed to public morals.

Article 8.—Education is free in all the territory of the republic.

Article 10.—The electoral right shall be regulated by the government on the basis of universal suffrage.

Article 17.—The administration of justice in reference to civil matters belongs to the civil authorities, and its procedure shall be regulated by a law.

Lee on American Soil.  
Key West, April 11.—The steamers bringing the Americans and refugees from the Cuban capital arrived here Sunday, having left Havana Saturday. Havana seemed dazed when the people found that General Lee was really going, and that all the Americans were going with him. Not to see the United States flag floating from the state at the consulate struck many residents as little less than a calamity. The fact that Mr. Gollan, the British consul, called with General Lee on Captain General Blanco also puzzled many, some believing that this meant an English alliance had been settled. The truth is that the Havana newspapers have been under such surveillance for months, have been made to publish so many untruths and have printed so many tales of the United States backing down at the demand of Germany, Italy, Austria and Russia that the residents take no stock whatever in anything published. Consequently when they saw the Americans leaving, despite the statements of the papers that they had no intention of going, it was believed that a crisis was at hand.

COTTON STRIKES OVER  
New Bedford and Saco Mills Open Today.

Saco, Me.—The York cotton mills started this morning. Nearly all the help returned. They struck January 17. There were no disturbances.

New Bedford, April 11.—The 22 cotton mills in this city closed since January 17, opened this morning. Half the force returned to work. Many could not stand the fears of the crowds at the gates. There was no disorder. One arrest was made. It was the longest strike ever known in this city.

## Parents Delight In Dressing Their Boys Well

You would only have to visit our boys' department any day before Easter to understand this. Some parents not familiar with our methods have an idea they must pay big prices for their boys' clothes. This was so until we inaugurated the new era of boys' clothes selling. We choose rather to sell abundant suits at a small profit than twenty-five suits at a large profit. This is the whole secret of our big boys' business. That week it's school suits at \$1.50, 2, 2.50, 3 and \$3.50 all wool, ages 3 to 15, and you can be sure of the make and fit. Long pant suits for boys, 14 to 20, in smooth cassimeres and worsted effects 4 to \$8.

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# AT WILLIAMSTOWN

## The Beverly-Beltermann Wedding— Close Call for Horses—High School Furniture—Married in Saratoga—A Serious Accident.

### Serious Accident.

James Gibbs, machinist at the Boston Finishing works, met with a very serious accident Saturday morning. While going from the packing room down to the machine shop by a ladder which stands close to the wall he missed his hold and fell about 10 feet, striking his right side on the edge of a packing case. He was rendered helpless and was removed to his home in the Danforth block on Spring street. Dr. Hull was called. He found two ribs fractured and evidences of internal injury. Mr. Gibbs suffered much pain through the day and had to be quieted with opiates. Mr. Gibbs has been employed as machinist at these works for two years, coming here from North Pownall, Vt., where he had worked for the North Pownall Manufacturing Co. He is well liked and his misfortune is much regretted by all who know him.

### High School Furniture.

The school committee, accompanied by Superintendent Mitchell and Principal Strong, looked over the new high school building Saturday afternoon and also met a number of representatives of manufacturers of school furniture who had sample desks and seats to show. Among the half dozen firms represented were Green & Waterman of Troy, N. Y., and the Readsboro Chair company of Readsboro, Vt. The various kinds offered will be considered and a selection will be made in due time. The committee was well pleased with the way the work is progressing on the building, which will be opened for school purposes next fall.

### Close Call for Horses.

W. A. Buckley came near having serious trouble in his barn a few nights ago. One of his horses got loose and went into a stall by the side of another, and the combined weight of the animals was too much for the floor. Two hemlock joists were broken and a part of the floor went down but the horses escaped with only a few scratches on their legs. The barn has been built only a few years and Mr. Buckley supposed the floor to be perfectly safe, as it will be when he repairs it, as he will now put in timbers that will stand the strain.

### A Dog's Hard Fate.

About 10.30 a. m. Sunday, when people were going to church, a little brown dog had a fit or something of the kind on Main street nearly in front of the college "gym." A team came along and ran over him, the horse stepping on him or kicking him. He was left to die with what seemed to be a broken back. He crawled down beside the road and lay in agony until after church, when some people procured a revolver and had him killed. Several people saw the dog hurt, but all did to do anything about it for nearly two hours.

### Barn and Contents Burned.

Charles Humphrey's barn on North street was burned down Sunday morning at 3 o'clock. The roof fell in before the fire was discovered. An alarm was given and the fire department turned out, but it was too late to save anything. Mr. Humphrey's horse, harness and buggy were burned with the barn. The fire is believed to be the work of an incendiary. The loss is estimated at \$300 and the insurance is \$150.

The granite drinking fountain was moved from the depot to Main street Saturday and today by Martin Lally. It was a heavy thing to handle and the work was well and carefully done by Mr. Lally.

Gershon Phelps, who devotes some attention to market gardening, has peas an inch and a half high and expects to be in the market with green peas as early as any one in this section.

Selectman George W. Sweet of South Williamstown will break ground soon for a new house on Southworth avenue. The cellar will be finished this month if the weather holds good.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Botsford and daughter of Manchester, Vt., spent Sunday in town with Mrs. Botsford's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Sanford.

Walter Perry and family of Ansonia, Conn., are visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Perry.

Charles Van Horn caught a fine string of trout Friday.

A regular meeting of Williams lodge, F. and A. M., will be held Wednesday evening.

The Cosmopolitan club will hold its annual meeting tonight and elect officers for the ensuing year.

Letters are advertised at the postoffice for Alphonse Berard, Mrs. Dell Brayman, Mrs. Lillian Fields, Mrs. Charles Mott, Mrs. P. D. Jacques and Sophie Lanoue.

The Easter services were largely attended at all of the churches.

The official board of the Methodist church will meet this evening to close up the business of the year.

It is the Citizens' band that will play at the opening of the Grand Army fair next Monday night and not the Williamstown Cornet band, as was stated, the latter having disbanded some time ago. It was doing good work, but there was no profit in it and many of the members became tired of playing merely for the fun of it. The Citizens' band is composed chiefly of young men of the station village. They enjoy the practice and have made good progress the past year under the instruction of Mr. Moon of Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

W. J. Crowe has set some handsome trees in front of his house on Cole avenue. C. M. Smith has engaged W. A. Bulkeley to clean the rubbish from the ground from which the old barn was moved and seed down the plot.

At a meeting of the Helping Hand society of the White Oaks, Friday evening, George Lindley was elected president to succeed James Lee, resigned, and William Stocking was chosen chaplain to succeed Mr. Lindley.

A fine new Estey organ has been placed in the French church. It is far superior to the old organ, which was taken by the Estey company in part payment for the new one.

## OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

The Toy Dealer and the War Agitation.  
"Too Much Johnson" in Real Life.  
The Tailor Made Girl.

### [Special Correspondence.]

I had a discussion the other day with a toy dealer over the Spanish-Cuba situation, and to my surprise the gentleman expressed his delight over the tangle into which affairs had worked themselves. He declared that while he did not wish actual hostilities he would not be averse to having them come. Still, he said, he would like to have the people constantly under the impression that war was impending. I thought it was merely a superabundance of patriotism which prompted the dealer in trifles to talk in that manner, but when I asked for a reason he almost took my breath away by informing me that his sole interest in the Cuban situation was due to the fact that when there was a great deal of war talk in the newspapers his business improved. Not seeing the connection between toys and war, I pressed him for an explanation, and my unpatriotic acquaintance admitted that there was an enormous profit in the little muslin national flags of which boys are so fond and that he had sold more of them within the past month than he had in the entire year prior to that time.

### "Too Much Johnson."

There was a case in a police court recently which was a forcible reminder of that uproarious funny farce "Too Much Johnson." At the same time it served to bring once more to the public notice the abuses which prevail in what are known as "sailor boarding houses," abuses, too, which exist only because of the supineness, ignorance and credulity of the poor fellows who "go down to the sea in ships."

Edwin Johnson, proprietor of a sailors' boarding house, was arraigned by Policeman Johnson of the Oak Street station on a charge of disorderly conduct preferred by Alfred Johnson, a sailor, while one Gus Johnson appeared as a witness.

George W. Brown, secretary of the board that gives licenses to sailors' boarding houses, was the chief witness for the prosecution. He told the magistrate that Alfred Johnson had staid at Edwin Johnson's house and run up a bill of \$10.50, which he was unable to pay. Alfred Johnson wanted to go aboard a ship as a sailor a few days ago and asked Edwin Johnson to give him the bag containing his clothing. Edwin Johnson refused to do so unless he received the \$10.50.

There is a federal law that the clothing of sailors cannot be held for board. Alfred Johnson accordingly went to Mr. Brown and told him of Edwin Johnson's refusal to give up the clothes. The United States district attorney wrote a letter to Edwin Johnson, calling his attention to this law and ordering him to give Alfred Johnson his clothing. Edwin Johnson paid no attention to the letter.

### The End Not In Sight.

Then Alfred Johnson and Mr. Brown went to Edwin Johnson's house and demanded the clothing. Edwin Johnson refused to surrender the apparel, called his visitors names, struck Alfred Johnson three times in the abdomen and chased Mr. Brown out of the house and up the street, where Brown met Policeman Johnson and had Edwin Johnson arrested.

Gus Johnson was the next witness called. He tried to exculpate Edwin Johnson, with whom he lives, but he became so badly confused that the magistrate finally made him confess that he had not been a witness of the fracas. Gus Johnson was ordered to leave the courtroom under threat that he would be arrested for perjury.

Edwin Johnson was fined \$10, which he paid, and left the court. A few minutes later Mr. Brown swore out a warrant for his arrest on a charge of conducting a sailors' boarding house without a license, so that the end of the case of "too much Johnson" is not yet in sight.

### Women Are Particular.

Those tailors who enjoy feminine patronage affirm that women are twice as particular about their work as men. It isn't alone that they are more exacting or that their clothes are more difficult to fit or to finish, but that they exercise their sex prerogative as to changing the mind to such a perturbing degree. "A woman will come in here," vouchsafed a tailor, "and after much hesitation will decide upon certain goods and a special mode, only to remark in the course of the first fitting: 'Oh, do you know, I've decided that I'd rather have this made double breasted instead of single. I saw Mrs. Up-to-date with a double breasted one on the other day, and it did look so smart. It won't be much trouble for you to change it, will it?' Or, 'Did I decide on the brown? Dear me, I thought it was the blue; though it really doesn't matter, as upon thinking it over I've come to the conclusion that I'd rather have green after all. Isn't it?' It would be an awful nuisance were it all lined and sewed."

### The Sample Nuisance.

Another difficulty that the tailor has to face in dealing with women is the desire on the part of such patron to take home samples to show to their husbands. This practice is well high invariable, and it is sure to give rise to all sorts of trouble. During such a process, too, a woman's ardor concerning her prospective suit has a way of cooling off or of becoming transferred to another quarter. "Ten to one," said the tailor, "if a woman takes home a lot of samples and designs to show her husband, it means that she will either give up the idea of the suit or that she will give the order to some one else. Well, it's the fortune of war, and we've learned to put up with it, but I tell you one thing, you don't often find a man taking samples home to show his wife. Ah, with a sigh, 'I'd rather fill an order for 20 men than for one woman.'"

### A Spelling Lesson.

Any of the young folks who have an idea that the "short" words are the easiest ones to spell should try the following list presented by The National Educator: Aisle, bought, bitor, beaver, choir, clog, corpse, cils, eighth, gnat, gnaw, gauge, hue, Hugh, hearse, lose, jar, jam, knead, lyre, loose, lion, niece, phlox, phaw, quartz, quay, rouge, rhyme, some, sleight, sythe, skeln, seche, seige, seize, sieve, sleigh, steak, soot, search, tough, toll, vice, who, wrist, waltz, yolk, yow.

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## Meeting of Finance Committee.

The finance committee appointed at town meeting last Monday to make a list of appropriations, to be read at the adjourned town meeting next Saturday afternoon, met Saturday in the district court room. W. B. Plunkett was chairman and A. B. Daniels secretary. The list of recommendations is as follows: Teachers' salaries, \$25,000; school expenses, 7000; school house repairs, 2500; school text books, 1700; highway repairs, 1000; sewers, 2000; sidewalks and crosswalks, 2000; bridges, 1000; insane paupers, 500; paupers, 4000; interest, 4200; loans, 1000; salaries, 3300; library and reading room, 2000; Memorial day, 100; cemeteries, 400; miscellaneous, 3000; insurance, 500; discount on taxes, 9000; town hall, 750; own farm, 1200; militia, 1000; police, 3750; police station, 500; memorial public library building, 1500; repairs on town farm, 3000; total, \$97,500. A temporary loan payable October 3 of \$30,000 was recommended in anticipation of taxes. It was reported in one paper Sunday that the police appropriation had been increased \$200. This is wrong and the appropriation is the same as last year. The matter of purchasing a steam road roller was recommended to be indefinitely postponed. The matter of building an addition to the town hall was left in the hands of James Renfrew, N. H. Bixby and A. B. Daniels for consideration. There was no appropriation recommended for night school the coming year.

## Death of Mrs. Janet Campbell.

Mrs. Janet, wife of Donald Campbell, died at her home on West Burt street Saturday after a long illness. Some time ago she fell from a table in the house while painting a ceiling and sustained severe injuries from which she never recovered. She was born in Bannockburn, Scotland, and came to live in this town 28 years ago. She was 52 years and nine months old. Mrs. Campbell was a typical Scotch woman, always kind and ready to help a friend or neighbor and a lady who by her many good qualities had won the high regard of a host of friends and acquaintances. She leaves a husband and an adopted daughter, Mrs. James McLaren, also a brother, Robert McLaren. She was a devoted member of the Congregational church. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon from the house at 2 o'clock. Rev. A. B. Pennington will officiate.

## Easter at the Churches.

Notwithstanding the threatening weather Sunday the Easter services in all the churches were well attended and the music was of an exceptionally high order. The Easter collections at the churches were large and at St. Mark's church the money received is enough to meet all the requirements for the ensuing year. The children's Sunday school services held in the afternoon were well attended. The report of the secretary and treasurer was very encouraging. Superintendent F. R. Shaw made a very fine address on the work of the school during the past year and talked of the ensuing year's work. He also spoke on the significance of Easter. After the service the children passed out of the church each was given a growing potted plant. About 200 plants were distributed.

## Baptist Church Musicals.

A musical will be given at the Baptist church Tuesday evening under the auspices of the "Baptist Helpers." The program is well prepared. Those who will take part are: Trinity male chorists, Thos. Palmer, Miss Bessie Harmon, Milton Dinsway, Miss Viola Wright of North Adams, Miss Hannah Beidson, the Misses Elyton and Austin Ketchum, Miss Cora E. Richmond, Ernest Alexander, Miss Edith Hall, Miss Ethel Cadigan, Miss Daisy Babbitt, Joseph Gravel, Jr., and Arthur H. Streeter. Fred Place will be accompanist. Admission will be 20 cents and every person will receive a souvenir program.

## Poles Celebrate Easter.

Saturday night was a busy time for the police. It seemed as if the whole Polish contingent had taken a night off and filled themselves with beer, whiskey or some other intoxicant. They did not stay at home to fight as usual but promenade the street and several fights occurred on some of the principal thoroughfares. As a result quite a number of arrests were made. Again Sunday afternoon a fight took place on Summer street but the principals got away before the police arrived. The fighters were, however, arrested about 1 o'clock this morning.

## Store Broken Into.

The grocery store of Joseph Rousseau on Commercial street was broken into Sunday evening. A pane of glass was removed from one of the windows and carried away. It is very probable that whoever did the job was frightened away before getting into the store as nothing was missing. It was at 10.30 Sunday night when the break was discovered. A police officer is on duty along the street and it is very likely that his presence may have prevented burglary. Chief Curran is working on the case.

## Second Annual Ball.

The chief event in town this evening is the American Forester's ball. It is their second annual event and will be held in Armory hall. The ball is trimmed very neatly and from the large number of tickets sold, the occasion will be a very successful one. Palmer's orchestra will furnish music and T. Duffy of Pittsfield will prompt. A large party of North Adams and Pittsfield people will attend. A special car will accommodate the North Adams attendants.

## Annual Parish Meeting.

The annual parish meeting of St. Mark's Episcopal church will be held this evening. The vestrymen and wardens for the ensuing year will be elected. The delegates to the convention in Boston in May will also be elected.

## For This Evening.

Regular meeting of the selectmen. Regular meeting of the Fortnightly club with Rev. Dr. Zalmer. John C. Hall will read a paper. Regular meeting of the G. A. R. Second annual Foresters' ball in the armory. The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Congregational church has arranged for a concert and social to be given in the Congregational house Tuesday evening.

The opera house was filled Saturday evening when the Kennedy Players ended their engagement by presenting "The Dark Side of London." It was well produced and entirely satisfied the audience. Miss Nellie P. Barrett spent Easter with her parents on Park street.

G. R. Mattoon is recovering from his illness. A special meeting of the Loomfixers union will be held Tuesday evening. A full attendance of members is requested. Conductor Ellison of the Hoosac Valley Street Railway company suffered a shock Sunday and is seriously ill at his home in Zylonite.

Benjamin Riley of Company M won the weekly medal shoot Saturday with a score of 48.

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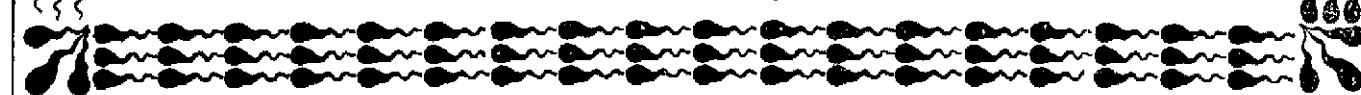
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If you are looking for a nice six-room cottage, with hot and cold water, bath room, &c., good barn, lot 50x150, and you think you would like to buy it for \$3,000, we can trade.

### And This:

There is a small house on the line of the electric road, south, with about a half acre of land, that can be bought for \$1,500, and the price seems to be right.

### And This:

Double tenement house on the line of the electric road, west, that rents for \$16 per month and can be bought for \$2,000, is a good investment.

### And This:

If you want a good nine-room house, with barn and large lot, in first-class location, it will be worth your while to see Alford about it.

### And This:

Those extra large lots on the line of the electric road, west, are particularly desirable, and the price is lower now than it will be later.

### And This:

The new six-tenement house that rents for \$648 per annum is on the market for \$5,000.

### And This:

West End Park Lots!

### And This (Thoughtfully):

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A. S. ALFORD,

Real Estate and Insurance.

90 Main Street



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 TRANSCRIPT PUBLISHING COMPANY,  
 C. T. FAIRBANKS, Editor and Manager.  
 FROM  
 THE TRANSCRIPT BUILDING, BAY STREET,  
 NORTH ADAMS, MASS.

I know not what record of sin awaits me  
 in the other world; but this I do know;  
 that I never was so mean as to despise a  
 man because he was poor, because he was  
 ignorant, or because he was black.  
 —John A. Andrews.

## MEMBERS ASSOCIATED PRESS.

The latest telegraphic dispatches from  
 all parts of the world are received exclu-  
 sively by THE TRANSCRIPT up to the hour  
 of going to press.

## "WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY."

From the Seal of the city of North Adams.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 11, '98.

Advertisers in THE TRANSCRIPT  
 are the best business men in this com-  
 munity. Their advertisements are worth  
 reading, and they are the firms with  
 whom to trade most advantageously.

Communications on five topics are  
 solicited by THE TRANSCRIPT. They  
 must be signed (not necessarily for pub-  
 lication) and be brief, to insure printing.

## Talk on Advertising.

MONDAY, April 11, 1898.

Just as it is the continued appli-  
 cation of the treatment prescribed that  
 benefits the patient, so it is  
 with advertising—it is the con-  
 tinued, keepingly everlastingly at it  
 kind that pays.

## THE REAL TROUBLE.

President McKinley's message was sent  
 to congress this noon. Spain's last at-  
 tempt to check the long delayed action  
 by this country has failed, and the mes-  
 sage shows how futile it was by striking  
 at the real cause of the trouble, Spain's  
 inability to maintain its promises.

The reason for this inability does not  
 matter. It may be the hot headed Span-  
 ish populace forcing the government, or  
 it may be in the insincerity of the latter  
 itself. But the inability is manifest. The  
 proper emphasis at last given the Maine  
 disaster shows this. And when Spain is  
 recognized as unable to maintain peace in  
 its possessions, to crush the present re-  
 volution, or to guarantee the safety of  
 visiting war ships, she is no nation for  
 this country to trust.

The last effort has been made. Spain  
 has done her worst, this country her best,  
 and Congress must bring the indecision to  
 speedy end.

## SPAIN DECLARES ARMISTICE.

Spain has taken one step in the direc-  
 tion of weakening. An armistice has been  
 ordered in Cuba for a few days. This may  
 possibly defer longer the appearance of  
 President McKinley's message. What-  
 ever the delay and the nature of the fur-  
 ther negotiations one thing is certain and  
 that is that the position of the United  
 States on the Cuban question will be un-  
 changed.

The Spanish government, it is said,  
 holds to the position that it will yield  
 everything to avert war, save two things  
 —independence of Cuba and American in-  
 tervention. It insists that if either of  
 these latter moves are insisted upon by  
 the United States as a sine qua non and  
 are carried into effect, it will regard them  
 as overt acts and as placing the United  
 States as in the attitude of taking the first  
 and aggressive step toward war. It is be-  
 cause of Spain's refusal to yield on either  
 the intervention or independence propo-  
 sitions that the armistice proposal is not  
 regarded as assuring a change in the  
 present outlook.

If this is Spain's position, war is inevit-  
 able for Cuba must be freed from Spanish  
 control and the despot's bond must be  
 taken off the throat of any American  
 territory.

## THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

When everybody is asking whether it is  
 to be war or peace, the state of business is  
 not easy to judge, says Dun's Review for  
 the past week. Evidence of existing con-  
 ditions, however, is not confusing nor un-  
 favorable. So far, banking conservatism  
 has not caused failures, which continue  
 smaller than for many years, as in March,  
 nor has it caused stoppage of any manu-  
 facturing concerns, nor lessened the vol-  
 ume of business. In five weeks east-  
 bound tonnage has been more than double  
 last year's, and 77 per cent. larger than in  
 1892. Foreign exports have been 50 per  
 cent. larger for the week and 56 per cent.  
 larger for five weeks. Railroad earnings  
 have been reduced beyond all reason by  
 rate cutting, and yet have been for March  
 16.3 per cent. over last year's.

The wheat outgo continues. Atlantic  
 exports having been 2,240,172 bushels for  
 the week against 1,521,122 last year and  
 Pacific 1,226,574 bushels, against 447,555  
 last year. Exports of corn are extra-  
 ordinary. For four weeks it has averaged  
 nearly 2,500,000 per week greater than in  
 1895 from the largest crop ever grown, in  
 spite of the fall in price, which has not  
 changed during the week, and in spite of  
 many reports of decreased production. In  
 such conditions heavy industrial demands  
 for a great force of operatives have been  
 effective.

Disasters in trade shown this week by  
 separate branches of business for the month  
 of March, and also the first quarter of  
 1898, make the best report that has been  
 possible for five years. It is interesting  
 to note that nearly all branches of busi-  
 ness show surprising improvement. Mean-  
 while banks are extremely cautious, and  
 commercial loans are but 10 per cent. of  
 their aggregate. Payments through  
 clearance houses were a fourth larger  
 than last year and a little ahead of the  
 same week in 1892.

Bradstreet's says: "In the East the drift  
 of matters affecting our foreign relations  
 has been such as to discourage new busi-

ness, but this tendency has been consid-  
 erably accentuated by unseasonably cold  
 weather, which has checked the usual  
 demand for the West. As the heavy  
 rush of spring business is about over,  
 here, again, reports of unseasonable  
 weather are met with."

The flying squadron will have to speed  
 to outwitting the flying stories.

It is hoped that after Monday in New  
 Bedford ten mills will make a cent once  
 more.—Somerville Journal.

Spain's disposition to accept the invita-  
 tion to withdraw from America may be  
 quoted as "from slow to brisk."

"War is now inevitable," wired the  
 fiery Washington correspondent to his  
 paper. "Admiral Sleigh has just told me  
 in strictest confidence that the Texas has  
 stored her port holes at the Brooklyn  
 navy yard." And the public bowed its  
 head to the blow.

Spain is a little too belligerent for a  
 highly civilized nation. For 60 of the past  
 100 years she has been engaged in war.  
 A French army occupied Spain from 1823  
 to 1828. Her longest interval of peace  
 preceded the beginning of the present  
 Cuban war in 1893.

There is some talk of a daily paper in  
 Greenfield. If it is put in it will be started  
 by the Gazette and Courier probably, al-  
 though Northampton newspaper men  
 have been looking over the field. If  
 Editor Hall establishes a daily his con-  
 nection therewith is sufficient guaranty  
 of its high quality and of its success.

Mercury, that modest planet, can be  
 seen at early evening near the western  
 horizon. She is peeping through the war  
 clouds that envelop this continent as if  
 anxious to ask the beautiful, though,  
 slightly anxious, Columbia, if she wants  
 to engage a swift-footed herald. Mercury  
 is requested to look after the war reports  
 and keep the yellow journals from send-  
 ing false accounts of doings.

The Observer concludes that almost in  
 exact proportion as church-goers con-  
 tribute to the expenses of religion will be  
 their enjoyment of the means of grace,  
 and gives this illustration: On returning  
 from church a mother remarked to her  
 son: "I did not like the sermon today, nor  
 the singing nor the choir?" "Mother,"  
 replied the boy, recalling what she had  
 put on the collection plate, "what could  
 you expect for a cent?"

"The greedy gold-power" has struck  
 another blow at silver. A half-million  
 dollar plant, recently established in  
 Maine, to obtain gold from sea water, has  
 presented the first results of its work at  
 the United States assay office in New  
 York, in the shape of about 100 ounces of  
 gold and silver bullion, the proportion  
 being about one part gold and two parts  
 silver. With the gold mines of the world  
 increasing their output enormously, and  
 even the waters of the ocean giving up  
 their gold at this rate, the prospect of a  
 gold famine grows beautifully less.

English free traders seem to be taking  
 alarm at the progress which protective  
 America and protective Germany are  
 making in capturing the iron trade of  
 the world. The London Iron and Coal Trades  
 Journal, commenting on the fact that  
 both the United States and Germany  
 made greater gains in the output of iron  
 in 1897 than did England, and that the  
 United States now leads the world in iron  
 production, says: "When we come to  
 consider the relatively larger strides  
 made by both of our great rivals, it can  
 hardly be said that our circumstances are  
 quite satisfactory."

One enterprising Spanish newspaper  
 prints the statement that a Washington  
 mob attacked Senor Polo's house and that  
 he escaped through a window. This in-  
 dicates about how definite the Spanish  
 knowledge is of American people and  
 customs. Another paper states that the  
 head of the Rothschild family, to show  
 his ardent love for the young king of  
 Spain, was about to buy him a cruiser.  
 These statements appear to be accepted by  
 the public in Madrid. Of course,  
 everybody knows that Rothschild is buy-  
 ing cruisers for love, especially for  
 creditors to whom he has already refused to  
 make war loans.

## MCKINLEY'S BACKBONE.

In the Right Place and Firm as  
 Solid Steel.

## AMPLE EXCUSE FOR HESITANCY.

Party Politics Have Dropped Out of Sight  
 In Washington—Public Men Have Had  
 a Trying Experience—Need of a Canal  
 Across the Panama Isthmus.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—[Special.]—  
 During all this Spanish excitement there  
 has been a great deal of curiosity in Wash-  
 ington as to the identity of the man upon  
 whom President McKinley has placed  
 greatest reliance as an adviser. I had  
 heard so much speculation upon this sub-  
 ject that I asked a member of the cabinet  
 who was thoroughly familiar with the in-  
 ner workings of the president's official  
 family to give me an idea of the proper  
 answer to the conundrum.

"You want to know upon whom the  
 president relies in such important matters

Your friends may smile

But that tired feeling

Means danger. It

Indicates impoverished

And impure blood.

This condition may

Lead to serious illness.

It should be promptly

Overcome by taking

Hood's Sarsaparilla,

Which purifies and

Enriches the blood,

Strengthens the nerves,

Tones the stomach,

Creates an appetite,

And builds up,

Energizes and vitalizes.

The whole system.

Be sure to get

Only Hood's.

## LOSING FLESH.

Then something is wrong. No matter  
 what the cause, this going the wrong  
 way must be stopped. You must stop  
 that little hacking cough. You must eat  
 well. You must sleep well.

## ANGIER'S PETROLEUM EMULSION

With Hypophosphites.  
 will help you to do all this. Perhaps you  
 thought cod-liver oil was necessary and  
 have dreaded the necessity of taking it.  
 Your sensitive stomach rebelled. Cod-  
 liver oil is not necessary. Our Petroleum  
 is far better and has no objectionable  
 features. Do not invite consumption by  
 keeping thin.

Sold by all druggists. 50c and \$1.00.  
 Angier Chemical Co., Allston District, Boston.

as this Spanish affair?" said the cap-  
 tain. "Well, I have no objections to tel-  
 ling you. It is himself."

The member of the cabinet then went  
 on to say what I have already informed  
 you in these dispatches—to wit, that the  
 president is famous for asking every one's  
 advice and then following his own logic  
 and instincts. Even the men who do not  
 like the president and who have often  
 sneered at him in the past admit that dur-  
 ing the long and arduous Spanish crisis  
 he has shown himself to be possessed of a  
 good deal of backbone. There were times,  
 it is true, when the president appeared to  
 be suffering indecision and faint hearted-  
 ness, but when he had made up his mind  
 and come out with a strong policy it was  
 the almost universal opinion that he had  
 confronted difficulties which outsiders did  
 not understand and that there was ample  
 excuse for his hesitancy.

## All Parties United.

One phase of the Cuban agitation has  
 pleased every one, and that is the manner  
 in which for the most part politics has  
 been dropped and men of all parties have  
 stood together in support of the American  
 policy. It is an old saying that in this  
 country politics is a thing unknown when  
 we pass beyond the water's edge and go  
 out to the sea, and with some small excep-  
 tions this has proved to be the case during  
 the long and trying episode which we  
 have just passed through at this capital.  
 Whether this man or that man has gained  
 in the popular esteem is a small question  
 beside the greater one of the increased re-  
 spect which the people may have for their  
 public men of all grades and ranks and  
 parties as a result of the ordeal which led  
 up to the present state of things.

The past two months have been most  
 trying to the patience of public men in  
 Washington. Just as the Cuban situation  
 was beginning to assume a serious aspect  
 Senor Dupuy de Lome, the former Span-  
 ish minister, was caught as the author of  
 an insulting letter about the president of  
 the United States. No sooner was this  
 quelled down than the Maine was destroy-  
 ed in Havana harbor, and following that  
 catastrophe came a series of incidents,  
 each, if possible, more irritating and ex-  
 citing than its predecessor. Such were  
 the intimation made by Spain that it  
 would be pleased with the recall of Consul  
 General Lee, the suggestion that we should  
 remove our fleets farther from Cuba, the  
 dispatch of the torpedo flotilla toward this  
 side the ocean, the rumor of intervention  
 by various European powers, followed by  
 a friendly expression of neutrality, the  
 efforts of Spain to buy warships and the  
 long series of steps so rapidly taken by the  
 United States government to place its  
 naval and military establishments in  
 readiness for war.

## Strain at the Capital.

For two months or more Washington  
 has been under a strain. The feeling has  
 been most intense, and the worst of it all  
 for a long time was the uncertainty as to  
 the outcome. Yet there has been little  
 evidence of excitement. Men have con-  
 tained themselves remarkably well so far  
 as surface indications were concerned, but  
 the deep feeling underneath, the anxiety,  
 the grim determination, have been all the  
 more significant. From the day the  
 Maine was destroyed in Havana the side  
 has run all one way. Instead of growing  
 weaker as time passed, as many predicted  
 it would, it has run deeper and stronger.  
 It finally became a torrent which nothing  
 could stop save giving the people either  
 their heart's desire or the promise of it in  
 the near future.

## JUDGE FOR YOURSELF.

Which is Better Try an Ex-  
 periment or Profit by a  
 North Adams Cit-  
 izen's Experience?

Something new is an experiment.  
 Must be proven to be as represented.  
 Be successful at home or you doubt it.  
 The statement of a manufacturer is not  
 convincing proof of merit.  
 But the endorsement of friends is.  
 Now, supposing you had a bad back,  
 lame, weak or aching one.  
 Would you experiment on it?  
 You will read of many so-called cures.  
 But they come from far away places.  
 It's different when the endorsement  
 comes from home.

Easy to prove that it is so.  
 Home endorsement is the proof that  
 backs every box of  
 Doan's Kidney Pills.

Read this case:  
 Mrs. Few, of 3 Sperry avenue, says: "I  
 was suffering intensely from a grinding,  
 aching and a lameness over my kidneys.  
 I had a depressed and weary feeling con-  
 tinually and being on my feet caused me  
 further distress. I longed to shake it off  
 but I could not and I grew no better as  
 time advanced. I read about Doan's  
 Kidney Pills curing such disorders and I  
 procured a box at Burlington & Darby's.  
 They acted just as the wrapper said they  
 would. Very soon there remained no  
 urinary trouble and my back became as  
 formerly no aching, no lameness."  
 Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all  
 dealers, price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-  
 Milburn company, Buffalo, N. Y., sole  
 agents for the United States.  
 Remember the name, Doan's and take  
 no substitute.

## TRY US FOR

Spectacles,  
 Eye Glasses,  
 Artificial Eyes.

Fit guaranteed or your money back.

**HIGLEY**  
 WATCHMAKER AND OPTICIAN.

The Recognized Headquarters for Fine  
 Repairing.

## BOSTON STORE.

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NORTH ADAMS, APRIL 11, 1898.

## FOURTH DAY of the GREAT SALE.

Taylor's Stock and New Goods

AT

## BARGAIN PRICES.

Trade is just what we started out to make it—an avalanche! The  
 crowds that thronged the store today are about as big as those of Thursday,  
 Friday or Saturday of last week. Everybody seems to recognize that these  
 are new times in North Adams.

We begin this week with the whole list of bargains, advertised before,  
 still here; we offer you no meager quantities. But there is a limit to the  
 loss that can be taken, and, so, some of the bargains are not likely to be  
 duplicated when the present stocks go. It is worth while to come to the  
 sale early.

## Cream Damask.

Good 25c quality, 54 inches wide,

at 19c per yd.

Good 30c quality, 54 inches wide,

at 25c per yd.

Regular 37 1-2 quality, 60 inches

wide, at 29c per yd.

Fine quality bleached damask, 70

inches wide, regular 62 1-2c quality,

at 50c per yd.

Special prices for this sale on

napkins, cardinal cloths, tray cloths,

scarfs, etc.

## Cottons.

Just like finding money to buy  
 cottons at such prices as these. The  
 woman who leaves the opportunity  
 go by will long be sorry. These  
 prices will last only while the sale  
 does.

One bale yard-wide brown cotton

cloth, for this sale 3 3-4c yd.

One box bleached cotton cloth, for

this sale 3 3-4 yd.

Brown yard-wide cotton cloth,

worth 7c, at 5c yd.

Brown cotton cloth, worth 8c, for

this sale 5 3-4c yd.

Bleached soft finish cotton cloth,

yard-wide, worth 7c, for this sale

5 3-4c per yd!

Still better values in bleached cot-

tons at 6 and 8c per yard,

worth 8 and 10c.

42-inch bleached sheeting, worth

12 1-2c, at 8c per yd!

9-4 brown sheeting, well known

make, worth 17c, at

11 1-2c per yd!

Remnants of all best known makes

of bleached cottons, one to eight

yard lengths, for this sale

5c per yd!

## Wash Goods.

Here again we demonstrate the  
 great power that a little money will  
 have in this sale. We offer in wash  
 goods:

One careful remnants of prints,

light and dark patterns, at

4c per yd!

One table piled high with fine

spring and summer wash goods—

lawn, dimities, percales, etc.,

beautiful 10c goods, at

5c per yd!

## Women's Jackets

Good 25c quality, 54 inches wide,

at 19c per yd.

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## ONE ENJOYS

Both the method and results when Syrup of Figs is taken; it is pleasant and refreshing to the taste, and acts gently yet promptly on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels, cleanses the system effectually, dispels colds, headaches and fevers and cures habitual constipation. Syrup of Figs is the only remedy of its kind ever produced, pleasing to the taste and acceptable to the stomach, prompt in its action and truly beneficial in its effects, prepared only from the most healthy and agreeable substances, its many excellent qualities commend it to all and have made it the most popular remedy known.

Syrup of Figs is for sale in 50 cent bottles by all leading druggists. Any reliable druggist who may not have it on hand will procure it promptly for any one who wishes to try it. Do not accept any substitute.

**CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.  
LOS ANGELES, CAL. NEW YORK, N.Y.

## A Good Deal Better for a Good Deal Less

is what you may expect in buying

TRAVELING BAGS,  
DRESS SUIT CASES,  
MUSIC BOWLS,  
BELTS, ETC.

At my new factory, 181  
State St. Retail trade  
solicited.

**F. J. Barber.**

MANUFACTURER.

Take Adams Car.



## When you buy a Watch here

you get RELIABILITY and the strongest kind of guarantee, if you buy a high-grade watch. We have a full line of Elgin, Waltham and E. Howard & Co. watches. Also a special watch which we guarantee to run within 5-10 of a second variation a day. Come in and look over the assortment.

**L. M. Barnes,**  
Jeweler and Optician.

**W. H. GAYLORD.**

## Great Mark-Down Sale of Cloaks and Capes.

Cloaks marked down to one-half the usual price to clear them quickly and surely.

## Handkerchiefs!

## Handkerchiefs!

A large special stock of Handkerchiefs is here to choose from. More styles than you can imagine, all at little enough prices.

**W. H. GAYLORD.**

They have almost entirely superseded liniments, ointments and the various sorts of uncleanly and feeble external agents so widely used. Benson's Plasters are vastly superior to these articles in curative power and are the most efficient and efficient household remedy. They can be depended on for quick relief and sure cure of Rheumatism, Backache, Sprains and all Pains and Aches. Get the Genuine. Price 25 cents. Refuse imitations.

Seabury & Johnson, Mfg. Chemists, N.Y.

## Local News!

### WEST CUMMINGTON.

Born in West Cumington, April 4, a daughter to Walter H. and Grace E. Shaw. The maple sugar season is dragging along slowly, but does not promise great results. Ten cents a pound for sugar and 75 cents a gallon for syrup is the ruling retail price.

Irving A. Hubbard, formerly of this place, has returned from a two and a half years' sojourn in Illinois. Mattie E. Miner of this town, who has been teaching school in Clarkburg for three years, has returned to open the spring term this week. Her brother Jesse has taught another school in that town for two years has returned to the same school. We consider their retention in the same schools a good endorsement of their ability as teachers. They are model young people, and we are glad to see their worth appreciated in a substantial manner.

Edwin A. Jordan has been laid up for nearly a month by the grip but now is slowly getting around again.

L. C. Harris of South Adams, Yt., has been visiting his two sisters in this place. Wm. H. Tirrell, formerly of this place has returned here to live. He has been for several years in Allford.

The electric road from Northampton is being agitated this spring more than ever, but perhaps we won't get until after war with Spain.

### A MODERN WAY

Commends itself to the well-informed, do pleasantly and effectually what we formerly done in the crudest manner and disagreeably as well. To cleanse the system and break up colds, headaches, and fevers without unpleasant after effects, use the delightful liquid laxative remedy Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by California Fig Syrup Co.

### WEST HAWLEY.

Herbert Hitchcock has gone to Halifax, N.S., to spend a few weeks. Mrs. Levi Hawkes of Northampton is visiting friends in town.

George Veber has gone to Heath to work.

John Rider of Adams has moved here and occupies the house belonging to Philneas Starks.

Chester Hunt has moved from Fuller-ville to his father's farm in East Hawley.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Barber will be spending the winter in the place of Melvin White, resigned.

Samuel Childs of Deerfield is spending a few weeks with his wife George Sears.

M. S. Stetson has hired some Italians to chop 500 cords of wood.

Mrs. Tillie Vining of Charlemont will work for Mrs. E. W. Sears this summer.

Mr. Bert Bowen of North Adams is spending a few days at her old home in this place.

Nearly all the farmers in this part of the town who have already plowed are getting separators and sending their cream to the Charlemont creamery.

The yield of maple syrup is comparatively small here.

Miss Francis Miller of Coleraine has returned to her home in that place.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Stillman Carter on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harmon of Greenfield are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Howes.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. All druggists.

### BUCKLAND.

Miss Clara Gould of Holyoke recently visited at H. E. Ward's.

Charles E. Johnson of Williamsburg is at work for E. D. Bennett for a year.

Miss Alice I. Maynard returned on Monday to Northfield Seminary.

E. C. Hall of Ashfield has purchased the Porter place on High street and will take possession May 1.

S. B. Eastman, a well-known Boston merchant, retired, took possession Tuesday of S. B. Taylor's pleasant up-stairs tenement.

Miss Mabel Bradford went to Westfield Monday to work as typewriter.

Miss Bita Howes will begin teaching in Charlemont, April 11.

Rev. A. C. Hodges was in town last Friday.

Albert Ward and wife of Taunton spent Sunday at A. W. Ward's.

Mrs. William Hubbard and daughter Erith of Sunderland have been visiting friends in town.

Tomorrow the Congregational church will observe Good Friday by a service at the church. In the morning there will be a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Whiting of East Charlemont and in the afternoon the roll-call and communion service.

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### MONROE BRIDGE.

James Ramage, Jr., gave a free graphophone entertainment at the hall Tuesday evening. There were 25 selections which included songs and recitations by some of our best comedians, and several selections by Sousa's band. These are something we seldom have in this vicinity. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Ramage.

The James Ramage Paper company, is on the sick list, but is slowly improving.

Kingsley's teams have returned from Whittingham where they have been hauling wood.

Miss Avis Howe of Heath was in town one day this week. She is to commence work at the boarding house in the near future.

R. S. Tower, who is working for T. D. Goodell in Andover called on his brother, R. S. Tower Sunday.

James Phillips is visiting friends in town. He has been on a visiting tour since leaving here a few months ago.

Miss Nellie Canady is visiting friends in this place.

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### OUTFITS FOR GIRLS.

Confirmation Gowns and Bicycle Costumes Now Under Consideration. [Special Correspondence.]

New York, March 20.—The near approach of spring reminds mothers and young ladies of two interesting things. One is the confirmation gown and the other that bicycling will soon be in order. Each requires a different outfit. The confirmation dresses are more important than the cycling costumes and prettier. Those made for this season are marked by simplicity and are generally of stuff which makes the gown useful for other purposes after the first has been accomplished. Something depends upon the age of the young girl, as some are received younger than others. White, cream and ivory are all suitable.



CONFIRMATION DRESSES.

but no other color. The materials most in vogue are wool barge, veiling, muslins of all varieties, dimities, organdies and lawns. A few are made of bengaline, one or two of china silk and others still of cashmere. But the majority are of washable stuffs. One design had a skirt of cream white bengaline, with a spring flounce around the bottom, headed by a triple gauffering of silk mull. The front breadth was left in one piece. The belt was of the bengaline and laid in folds. The sleeves were shirred all the way up to the shoulders. The waist was covered with a fancy shirring of white silk and mull over the bengaline.

A dainty and useful frock for another girl was of white French poplin. The skirt was entirely plain. The waist was in blouse shape, open in front, showing an inset vest of white china silk laid in narrow plaits. The small collar was in the same design. The caps were tucked, and bias folds were put around the opening at the neck. The design is so simple and yet so elegant that it must appeal to mothers at once, as it would look equally girlish and pretty in any seasonable goods of white or cream. It is optional with members of the Episcopal church whether to wear a veil or not. A white wreath or close cap made of mull or lisse with strings of the same may be worn, or a long tulle veil may be added. Some of the veils, and, in fact, most of them, are made of fine white tulle, which is very sensible when one considers that they look quite as well as tulle and do not cost a tenth as much. They are worn but once.

For bicyclists there is an embarrassing variety of things to choose from. One ardent wheelwoman told me that she was longing for a bicycle suit that would not be coming to pieces all the time. For exactly such a purpose I found a pretty suit, skirt and blouse sewed together at the belt. The material was a broken plaid cheviot in small design. The skirt lay in plaits in the back, but was gored the rest of the way and reached to the top of the ankles. The front breadth only was open at the top and buttoned at both sides. The bodice was blouse shape, with the open vest effect in taffeta laid in fine plaits. There are sailor shaped hats, alpines, English walking shapes and oddly shaped caps of straw, with a straw peak.

Some of the shirt waists to be worn with the separate bicycle skirts are very pretty. One is of plaid gingham laid in plaits on the straight, with yoke, sleeves, collar and spaces between the



NEW BICYCLE SUITS.

plaits on the bias. These have the cuffs and collars of the same and a dark wind-stie. One had a shepherd plaid in black and white, with a thread of pink. The cuffs matched, but the collar was of black velvet, with a ruffle of white waterproofed crepe at the top and a

very full cravat bow of the same in front. There are many divided skirts, full bloomers, a very few knickerbockers and great numbers of plain gored skirts, longer or shorter, as liked. Some skirts are divided only at the back and have a smooth front effect. These have proved up to now the most satisfactory.

OLIVE HAMPER.

Generating Electricity by Wind. The utilization of wind in the generation of electricity has so far been restricted, for the most part, to outlying districts where a regular supply of current was impossible or impracticable. In these cases it has been successfully combined with storage batteries, which were charged during the working hours of the mill and made available during the night for the lighting of houses and outbuildings. A new form of windmill has been suggested, for which a much wider employment is expected by its inventor. It is not circular like the ordinary windmill, but consists of four arms with a solid shutterlike arrangement on each. These shutters swing on hinges. While the wind is driving two of them it lifts the other two, so that they offer the minimum of resistance to the air pressure. It is claimed that this machine costs only one-fifth as much as the ordinary windmill to put up and gives a great deal more power for a given mill area. It costs hardly anything beyond the first outlay for the installation of the plant, as any one can do the small amount of oiling, which is the only attention subsequently needed. The inventor says that with a mill having shutters seven feet long he can get enough current to light a good sized building and furnish all the power necessary to take the place of hand labor in clothes washing and ironing, dish washing, knife cleaning and many other domestic tasks.

What to Do With Cold Beef. Out some rather thick slices of beef or mutton off a cold joint and rub into them a strong seasoning of pepper, salt and cayenne. Put a small quantity of butter into a frying pan and in this, when hot, fry the slices till quite brown and crisp. Serve on a very hot dish with a sauce made by adding a lump of butter to the liquid already in the pan, a tablespoonful of Worcestershire sauce and the squeezed juice of half a lemon.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT. BERNKHITE SS.

Petition of George A. Hastings, of North Adams, in said Court, for settlement of title to real estate under the provisions of Chapter 237 of the Acts of 1882.

To the Honorable Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court sitting in and for the County of Berkshire:

Respectfully sheweth your petitioner, George A. Hastings, of said North Adams, that he is the owner in fee of a certain tract or parcel of land situate on the west side of Prospect street in said North Adams, and is bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the West side of said Prospect street at the north-east corner of land of Oliver A. Lord, and thence running westerly along the north line of land of said Lord, to land of one Phillips, formerly owned by one Nathaniel Dalrymple; thence running northerly along the East line of said Phillips, to land of Lester M. Hayden; thence running easterly along the South line of land of said Hayden to said Prospect street; and thence running southerly along said Prospect street to the line of land of being the same premises described and conveyed by deed of George Millard to Amanda M. Clark, which deed is dated September 26, 1885, and recorded in the Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds at Adams in book 104 on page 483, and to which deed and the record thereof reference may be had for a more particular description of said premises.

The record title of said land is encumbered by a certain undischarged mortgage from Amanda M. Clark to George Millard, dated September 26th, 1885, and recorded in the Northern Berkshire Registry of Deeds at Adams in said Court's book 104 on page 481. Said mortgage was given on condition that the mortgagee therein named should pay to said mortgagee the sum of five hundred dollars and interest thereon one hundred and fifty cents per annum and interest thereon to be paid in one year from date of said mortgage; and the balance of one hundred and fifty dollars and interest thereon to be paid in two years from date of said mortgage.

The said mortgage, Amanda M. Clark, was the owner of said premises and was in possession of said premises at the time of said mortgage, and there, after remained in uninterrupted and continuous possession thereof until December 1st A. D. 1890, at which last mentioned date she conveyed to your petitioner said premises by warranty deed containing a covenant that the same were free from all incumbrances whatsoever, and your petitioner has owned and remained in uninterrupted and continuous possession of said premises from the date of said conveyance until the present time.

Your petitioner further says that the debt and interest secured by said mortgage have long since been paid in full by your petitioner, and was in fact paid at or about the date specified in the condition of said mortgage as above set forth, but the parties thereto neglected to have the same discharged of record, and said record still remains a cloud upon the title to said premises to the great detriment and damage of your said petitioner.

The title limited in said mortgage for the full performance of its conditions was September 25th A. D. 1887; the said mortgage and those having her estate in said premises have been in uninterrupted and continuous possession of said premises for more than twenty years since said September 25th, 1887, and no payment on account of the debt or interest secured by said mortgage has been made, or any other act in its execution or its enforcement, or a valid mortgage has been done within said twenty years.

Wherefore your petitioner prays that after notice to all persons interested, by publication or otherwise as the Court may order, a decree may be entered which shall set forth the facts as herein alleged, and the findings of the Court in accordance therewith, to the end that said decree may be duly recorded in the said Registry of Deeds, as provided by Chapter 237 of the Acts of 1882; and that thereafter no action shall be brought by any person to enforce a title under said mortgage.

GEORGE A. HASTINGS.

A true copy. FRANK H. CANDE, Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Berkshire ss. Supreme Judicial Court. March 25th, 1938.

Upon the foregoing petition—Ordered, that the petitioner notify all persons interested in the subject matter of said petition, to appear at the Clerk's office of the Supreme Judicial Court at Pittsfield, in and for the County of Berkshire, on the first Monday of June, next, by causing an attested copy of said petition and of this order thereon, to be published in the North Adams Transcript newspaper printed in North Adams in said County, once in a week, three weeks successively, the last publication thereof to be thirty days at least before the first Monday of June next, and that then and thereupon, if any person, who has any claim or interest in the subject matter of said petition should not be granted.

FRANK H. CANDE, Clerk.

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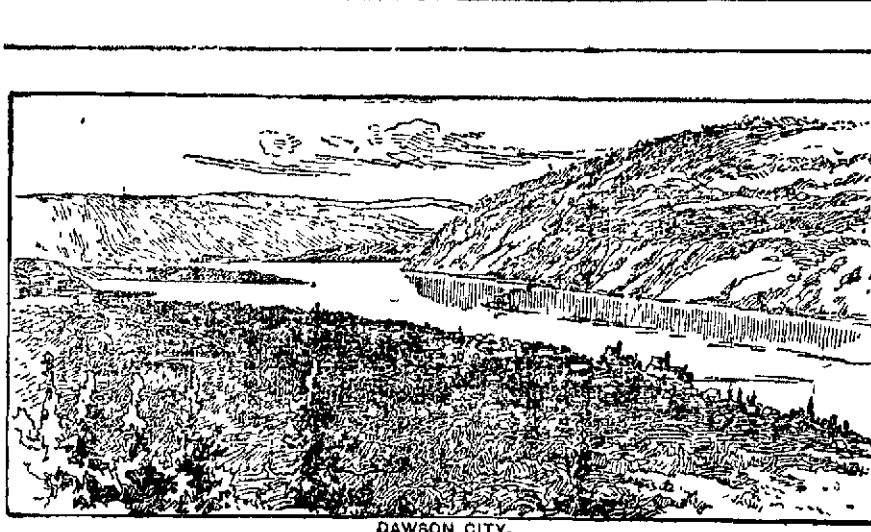
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# SPORTS AND SPORTSMEN



## THE ANTIQUITY OF CHECKERS.

Interesting Story of the Game of Draughts From Its Origin In Egypt Down to the Present Day—Older Than Chess.

[Copyright, 1898.]  
The origin of draughts, or checkers, is uncertain. It is conjectured to have preceded chess, of which it is supposed to be the root or source. Upon the principle that "age is honorable" this recreation must be one of no mean pretensions.

It is certain that in Egypt, as appears from the stone and monumental paintings, it was common under the pharaohs. It was played then, as now, with pieces, all of which on the same board were alike in size and form, though on different boards they varied, some being small, others large, and rounded at the top or carved into human heads. The kind used by Ramesses II, about 1300 B. C., who is represented on the walls of his palace at Thebes playing draughts with the ladies of his court or household, resembled small ninepins and seem to have been about 1½ inches high on a circular base with a diameter of half an inch. Some have been found of ivory, 1½ inches high and 1¼ inches in diameter, with a small knob at the top.

The opposite sets of pieces were distinguished sometimes by their color and frequently by their form, one set being black, the other white or red, or one set having round and the other flat tops. It is not known how the Egyptians played the game, though from the position of some of the pieces on the paintings it seems that they did not "take backward," as is done in the Polish game. The modern Egyptians, who use pieces similar to those in the possession of their predecessors, play the game generally as it is done in Europe and America.

By the Greeks the invention of checkers (also spelled chequers), as well as of dice, chess and many other things, was poetically ascribed to Palamedes, one of the heroes of the Trojan war and the ten years' siege.

The game is always played on a checkered board, the same as that for chess, with 12 or 20 pieces on each side. In the United States it is almost invariably called checkers. Draughts is the favorite English term. In France it is le jeu de dames ("the game of ladies"), in Italy dama, and in Germany it is capitalised into the proper noun Damen. It has undoubtedly been a source of recreation in Egypt for more than 4,000 years, the Egyptian-Arabic name being dameh, and made its appearance in Europe between three and four centuries ago, when there was much intercourse between southern Europe and the Egyptian and Syrian ports. In Polish the game has, in addition to that of dama, the name of arcaby, or waraby, supposed to be also of oriental origin. In Spanish the word ajedrez, applied to both chess and checkers, is also of eastern derivation and appears to be nearly equivalent to the present American term.

In England the white squares are played upon. In Scotland and America the black squares are almost invariably used. Polish draughts is a variety of the game. Played not only in Poland, but in other parts of the continent of Europe and occasionally in England and America, in which the pieces are moved forward as in the English-American form of the game, but in capturing their opponents they move like the kings, either forward or backward. The kings of the Polish game have the privilege of passing over the several squares at one time and even over the whole length of the diagonal, when no pieces intervene or obstruct the move. Polish draughts is sometimes played with 40 pieces on a board, divided into 100 squares.

Probably the first treatise on the game in Europe was that published in Paris by M. Mallet, a professor of mathematics, in 1668. About a century later William Payne, also a teacher of mathematics, issued his celebrated "Introduction to the Game of Draughts" (London, 1750). The work by W. Falster, entitled "A Companion for the Draught Player," appeared in 1767. In 1800 Joshua Sturges published his well known and able volume, "The Guide to the Game of Draughts." J. Sinclair, in Glasgow, 1832, was the next to appear before the public in book form and was the first of the Scottish school of writers and players who have done so much to popularize a scientific study of the pastime. Then followed J. Drummond's first edition (Falkirk, 1833) and the work of W. Hay, in Stirling, the same year. In 1848 Andrew Anderson published at Lanark his first treatise, second edition in 1852 by his celebrated second edition, of which later issues are reprints, with recognized improvements and the unsound or weak plays eliminated.

Checkers, like chess, has certain "openings," and their formations are as follows:

First.—The "Ayrshire Lassie," counting the play on both sides, is formed by the first four moves—11-15, 24-20, 5-11, 23-19.

Second.—The "Bristol" is formed by the first three moves—11-15, 24-20, 16-19. It was so named in compliment to the players of that city, in England, for services rendered to Andrew Anderson. The name, however, has been given by other authors to all games proceeding from Black's first move, 11-15.

Third.—The "Cross" is formed by the first two moves, 11-15 and 23-19. It is so named because the second move is

played across the direction of the first. Fourth.—The "Defiance" is formed by the first four moves—11-15, 23-19, 9-14, 27-23. It is so named because it defies or prevents the formation of the "Five" game.

Fifth.—The "Double Corner" is so named from its first move—9-14—being from the one double corner toward the other. Although Anderson mentioned the game in his list of the standard openings, he published no play upon it.

Sixth.—The "Dike" is formed by the first three moves—11-15, 23-17, 15-19. The name has probably arisen from the observed resemblance of many of the positions in this game to a dike (a fence or stone wall), for at various stages the pieces are frequently formed into straight lines.

Seventh.—The "Five" is formed by the first five moves—11-15, 23-19, 9-14, 22-17, 5-9. It has been so called since 1847, when Wylie, hailing from Fifeshire, played it against Anderson.

Eighth.—The "Glasgow" is formed by the first five moves—11-15, 23-19, 9-14, 22-17, 11-18. It has been generally known by this name since Sinclair of Glasgow played it against Anderson at their match in Hamilton in 1828.

Ninth.—The "Laird and Lady" is formed by the first five moves—11-15, 23-19, 8-11, 22-17, 9-13. It was so called from the fact of its having been the favorite of Laird (Lord) and Lady Cather, who resided in Cambusnethan, Lanarkshire.

Tenth.—The "Maid of the Mill" is formed by the first five moves—11-15, 22-17, 8-11, 17-13, 15-18. It was so named

ance in Anderson's first edition. "Whitener," or "wholter," in Scotch, signifying an overturning or a change productive of confusion, is remarkably applicable to many of the unexpected changes which occur in the game.

Sixteenth.—The "Will o' the Wisp" is formed by the first three moves—11-15, 23-19, 9-13. It was so named by G. Wallace of Glasgow from the peculiarity of some of the variations where the player finds to his loss he has been pursuing an ignis fatuus.

The games formed by an odd number of moves refer to the first side, while those formed by an even number refer to the second.

GEORGE P. FRENCH.

### Poker Pool.

The latest thing to attract lovers of indoor pastimes is poker pool, which combines some of the mysteries and excitement of the great American card game with the beauties of pool. The new pastime has been invented by a New York firm and has just been introduced by several local proprietors of billiard parlors with some success.

The possibilities of the game are great, but like all additions to established sports it must be contented

## A TOURNAMENT OF HANDBALL.

Champion Players of the World Are to Contest at the Forthcoming Meetings In Brooklyn and Jersey City.

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The forthcoming handball tournament which is to take place in Brooklyn on April 28 and in Jersey City on May 5 will once again bring together the rivals, William Carney, champion of the world, and James Fitzgerald, champion of Ireland. Interest will be centered in the games between these two champions, who, since the retirement of Phil Casey, may be said to stand in a class by themselves among professional players.

A year ago, when Fitzgerald challenged Carney for the first time, it was considered an open question as to which was the better player. The games which were to settle the championship

of the body more fully and more uniformly than does handball, and no other sport, not even baseball, is more apt to train the eye to accuracy and the mind to quickness. Pugilists have recognized these advantages to such an extent that when in training they depend on handball as the surest means of reducing weight and improving their wind and endurance.

Schools, colleges and gymnasiums all over the country have built handball courts, and the Irish game is everywhere gaining ground.

A bit of level ground, a wall and a ball are the only essential requisites of the game. No expense is attached for those who are desirous of learning, for the side of a house or a high fence will answer every purpose of a beginner.

A description of a proper handball court is as follows: The room must be 35 feet in height, 25 feet in width, and the distance between the front and rear walls must be 65 feet. A straight line marked across the floor divides the court into equal parts. The sides and front wall of the room should be of cement. The ball must be 2 inches in diameter and 1½ ounces in weight. The contest is between two or four players. When two players are engaged in a game, the one called "scorer" stands about 35 feet from the front wall. At the signal to play he bounds the ball straight to the floor, and as it returns he strikes it with his hand against the front wall. As the ball rebounds the other player, who has taken his position inside the 33 foot line, must

the beginner should learn to strike the ball properly. If a wrong start is made, it is difficult to correct mistakes afterward. The hands should be held loosely and naturally, with the fingers partly closed to feel the ball to fit into. In striking one must be careful to hit accurately. A rap on the knuckles or the ends of the fingers will prove the wisdom of this advice. The eye should be kept on the ball constantly, and in returning the player should run well up and deal a quick, sharp blow on a line with the hip if possible. The wrist and forearm should be held quite loosely and be brought around quickly with a snap. This will give a blow the proper effect. Stiffness or straining of the muscles should be avoided. Only by keeping loose and unstrained is it possible to gather oneself quickly into motion.

Some players use gloves to protect their hands, but this is not a common habit. The best players never use a glove or any covering for the hands, as they claim that control of the ball is lost in some measure by its use.

There are numerous handball courts in all of the greater cities, but Brooklyn excels all of her sisters in this respect. In Brooklyn there are also more players and better players than in any other city. In one court in Brooklyn, that of the retired champion, Phil Casey, the wall against which the ball is served is of marble, and the side walls are of portland cement.

Handball is a game that appeals strongly to women, and many clubs and gymnasiums have put their courts at the disposal of the gentle sex on certain days. Not long ago a recent innovation. Four years ago girls were admitted to courts of the gymnasium at Adelphi academy, Brooklyn. An instructor in one of these gymnasiums, while speaking of girls as handball players, said:

"When girls are 10 or 12 they are far more agile and graceful than boys and can perform difficult exercises with greater ease. They are utterly unconscious of their own clumsiness, their surroundings or their costumes and go heart

## Another Modern Samson.

Rockland, Me., has a remarkable specimen of physical strength in the person of Joseph Hamlin, a brakeman in the employ of the Limerock Railroad company.

His latest feat was performed recently when he held at arm's length a pair of white lead weighing 50 pounds for the space of a minute, the weight being suspended from the little finger of the right hand.

This modern Samson is but 23, stands 5 feet 7 inches and weighs 165 pounds. In addition to having a fine personal appearance he possesses a magnificent frame, the muscles of which, when contracted, are as solid as those of a bronze figure. When Mr. Hamlin was but 14, he held a 50 pound object at arm's length, at that time, however, using the entire hand.

Later, on one Fourth of July, while at Wiscasset, he lifted a pile of iron weighing between 900 and 1,000 pounds, winning a substantial wage from persons who had doubted his ability to perform the feat. He frequently carries steel rails, unaided, where the work would ordinarily require the services of two men, and on the whole is a very handy man with whom to work.

He is temperate in his habits, modest, unassuming and never "looking for trouble." The only quarrel in which he ever participated took place in his native town of Wiscasset, where one day a half intoxicated farmer sought to bully him. Young Hamlin suffered a volley of abuse and insulting remarks for awhile and finally, when patience ceased to be a virtue, took hold of the offending rustic and, seemingly without effort, threw him fairly over a billiard table.

The farmer gathered himself up in a dazed condition, but from that hour never sought to pick a quarrel with Hamlin, and the incident is doubtless well remembered in Wiscasset today.

Hamlin has never yet run across the striking machine which registered enough for his muscle, while lifting machines are easy marks for him.

Beyond his daily labor Joseph takes no athletic exercise to speak of and has never been in training. His friends have repeatedly urged him to develop the gift which nature has bestowed upon him and look for more profitable occupation than that of a railroad brakeman, but young Hamlin is modestly content to let the occupation seek him.

He resides at 59 Oliver street and probably inherits his strength from his late father, Edward Hamlin, who thought it nothing uncommon to carry home a barrel of flour upon his shoulders.

### Frederick Gebhard's Ambition.

Frederick Gebhard is the latest addition to the growing crowd of Americans who are ambitious to win pounds and glory on the English turf. While most of the others are content to take part in the flat racing, Mr. Gebhard has announced his intention of naming his steeplechaser Olindo for the Liverpool Grand National steeplechase of 1899, to the winner of which the highest honors in the world of cross country sport.

Olindo is looked upon here as a steeplechaser of rare merit, for he has defeated most of the American cross country cracks, and as a fence jumper he has shown remarkable cleverness. But steeplechasing in this country and steeplechasing such as the Liverpool Grand National calls for are vastly different.

The course of the Grand National is over the stiffest sort of hunting country, across plowed fields and over brooks, up hill and down dale and over ditches and stone walls. The journey is a long one—about nine miles—and such a race is well calculated to test the stamina of even the gamiest and longest of the gamiest horses in the world. In this country steeplechases are usually between 2½ and 4 miles long, and even at that distance the field usually comes in "dead beat."

Mr. Gebhard believes that in Olindo he has the best cross country horse in the world, and that he can capture the big English event unless the Englishmen, after training better horses for jumping than those he saw when he was last on the other side, Olindo is a chestnut gelding, 6 years old, by Onoko—Sophronia. He is a half brother to Curt Gown, afterward named Loco-hatchee.

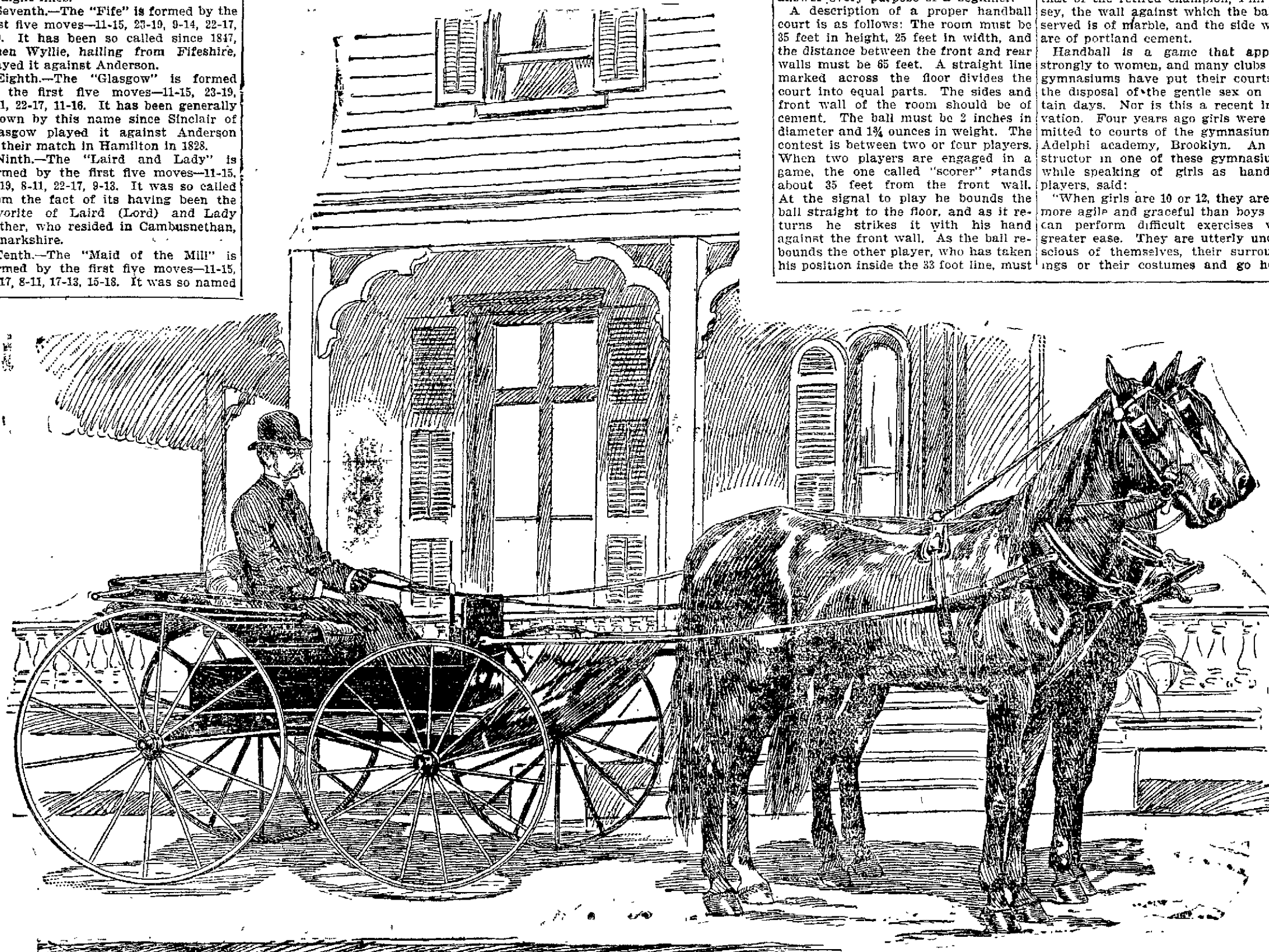
### Good at Sports and Studies.

Washington's strength was remarkable. He could run faster, jump further, swim better and climb higher than any other boy in school, but it was the gentleness of his character and the sweetness of his disposition rather than his athletic qualities that made the scholars and their teacher love him.

He was quite as proficient in his studies as he was in his pleasures and always stood high in his classes. His manuscript schoolbooks at this period are marvels of neatness and accuracy. They also show an unusual predilection for mercantile transactions and business details, being filled with neatly written forms of checks, drafts, notes, etc., and long columns of figures, accounts and the hundred and one things that go to make up a merchant's books.

The knowledge thus acquired was to prove invaluable to him in after life, and the reflex of it is seen in the neatly kept books he has left, and in which are contained his accounts as commander in chief of the army and subsequently as president of the United States.

which, if correctly done, will cause the enamel to chip off very easily. Your wheel should be examined by a practical mechanic at least once a year, for even if it is kept in order and occasionally repaired by the owner there may be some damage which may have been overlooked. In this way a good machine will last many years. Don't be careless in riding strange hills. Accidents may happen.



## FRED VANDERBILT AND HIS \$65,000 TEAM.

Here is an illustration from a photograph, heretofore unpublished, of Mr. Frederick W. Vanderbilt, the New York millionaire, riding the reins of his famous \$65,000 team of road horses. One of the horses is Early Rose, valued at \$40,000, the other being Aldene, valued at \$25,000.

took place in Chicago and Brooklyn and resulted in Carney winning nine out of 11 games. Since that time, however, Fitzgerald has improved wonderfully. But Carney has not wasted his time and is in good condition to defend his title stubbornly.

Champion Carney, whose trade is that of an iron worker, is a native of Swensford, Ireland. He came to this country 11 years ago, when a lad of 18. He is a man considerably bigger than the average. When in condition, he weighs 174 pounds and measures 5 feet 10 inches in height. He began to play handball when a boy, but on coming to this country gave up his favorite pastime until three years ago, when he resumed it.

Speaking of training, Carney said that he has a method of his own which, even if it fails to meet the approval of modern trainers, serves his purpose well. He eats whatever he likes and smokes and drinks liquor when he feels so inclined. For the rest he depends solely on daily practice in a handball court. He is a powerful man, but withal is quick and shifty. His style of playing is one showing judgment rather than speed. Comparatively speaking, he runs seldom during the game, he seems to know where to stand in order to receive the ball and is one of the headiest players that ever stepped into a court.

Handball is a game that has been steadily gaining ground since its first introduction to America. Its popularity is largely due to the fact that it is an all year round sport, but there are other elements which also commend it. No other exercise develops the mus-

strike the ball with his hand on the first bound and drive it against the front wall. His object is to place the ball so that on the rebound it will strike in the court at some point where the server cannot reach it.

This is kept up until one or the other player misses the ball. If the player misses the ball, it is the end of one round, or a "hand out," and counts one point, or an "ace," for the server. If the server misses, it counts no point. In the next round the player becomes the server, and vice versa. This is kept up until one of the players has made 21 aces, which constitute a game.

As scoring is only possible when the player is unable to return the ball to the front wall after the server has struck it, it is evident that the most skillful playing is to be done by the server in so placing the ball that the player cannot obtain control over it on the rebound. The most obvious method of accomplishing this is, therefore, to let the player suppose that the ball is to go in one direction and then to send it in another. By assuming an attitude and holding the ball as if about to strike it to a certain point the server may lead the player to take a position at a point where he calculates the ball will rebound and then by suddenly striking the ball in an unexpected direction place it out of his reach. To become a good player one must be quick and sure, a ready reader of the peculiarities of those against whom one plays and of an inventive turn of mind, so as to introduce new trick plays.

In playing handball the first thing thrown on the arms, and the result is that riding becomes a misery. For general purposes the handle should preferably be an inch or so above the level of the saddle.

Always keep your saddle soft and dry and protect it from the rain, even if you have to sit on it to do so. Unprotected saddles get hard, unshapely and uncomfortable and are liable to cause a chill to the rider who neglects

and soul into the game, enjoying it hugely. When they get to be 12 or 14, they become stiff and are not so quick and graceful. The long dresses worn during the week cramp their movements, and they get very decided ideas about what is dignified and ladylike. These notions they bring into the gymnasium, with the result of undoing all the good work which they accomplished as little girls in short gowns."

Though handball is known as an Irish game, yet its history may be traced back to the days of mythology. Homer's heroes knew the value of handball as an exercise to improve the mind and increase the suppleness of their muscles and develop keenness and accuracy of sight. In medieval times the game spread over Europe. Longue paume, the French called it. One of their kings died of a cold he caught while overheated from his favorite exercise of playing handball.

Not long ago a search in the ruins of Cirob, one of the most ancient towns in Egypt, revealed a number of handballs in an excellent state of preservation. It was the unanimous opinion of experts who looked at the little leather covered spheres that they had been used in a game very similar to our handball of today.

B. A. TREADWELL.

It is said that one of the best ways to fix refractory cork handles is by melting some alum and applying it to the ends in contact with the tube. This forms generally a very secure fixture if allowed to dry well.

This small duty. A saddle cover is a wise investment.

With large chain wheels it is best and safest to keep the chain rather tight. If this is done, there is less chance of it mauling the coars.

Do not court an accident by riding with a slack chain.

The simplest way to remove old enamel from a cycle is with a blunt knife held obliquely and run along the

by the cracks before the ordinary public will take hold of it. At the same time there are a number of faults in the new game as originally introduced, but those who have tried it have made improvements which may make it popular in time.

The rules are not intricate; neither is the manner of counting, although it is more intricate than the ordinary game. It is novel nevertheless.

### Changes In Baseball Rules.

Umpires now have the power to suspend players, not to exceed three days, instead of fining them, for kicking on the ball field.

The umpire who stands behind the bat is the umpire in authority upon all questions except first, second and third base decisions.

The balk is defined more clearly than it was under the old rules.

The earned run has been abolished from the summary of the score.

A stolen base must now be stolen in fact, and the supposition that a player might have intended to steal cannot be scored as an actual fact.

Bunt hits will be permitted under the same conditions as they have existed in the past.

Oil that is thick or gummy can be cleared to a good extent by warming in a vessel containing some shot or broken scraps of metal.

er and will force the big riders to engage in match races at frequent intervals.

If a big gear is used by a lady, long cranks (up to 6½ inches) are necessary, but with a gear of 54 or 56 she need not have a crank longer than 6 inches. A long crank, besides being very tiring, gives also a very ungraceful appearance to the rider.

Novices should make a study of the

## HINTS FOR CYCLISTS.

Before riding your new mount do not fail to thoroughly overhaul it. Attention should always be paid to see if the handle bar clip is tight and the back adjustments screwed up taut.

The custom established in France and Australia to offer "brassards" for competition among the professional riders

will be copied by the American track owners this year. The winner of one of these trophies will be entitled to an income of \$25 per week while he holds possession of it, but he must defend his right of possession at all times. Prizes of this character which guarantee a regular income will be much sought after.



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## FROM SACKCLOTH TO SOCIETY.

Opening of the Second Part of the  
Social Year.Once more social affairs will occupy the  
attention of the city, and the first week  
after the close of Lent will as usual be a  
very merry one. Preparations have been  
under way for some time for the various  
affairs which will gladden the hearts of  
the young.Chief of these is of course the annual  
F. M. T. A. ball this evening. Prepara-  
tions for this are completed and are un-  
usually elaborate. Most of the features  
of the decorations have already been de-  
scribed, and the renovation of the Colum-  
bia theater will add to the appearance of  
the hall.The concert by the Ideal orchestra will  
begin at 8, and dancing will begin at 9.  
There will be 23 dances and several ex-  
tras. Hostford will serve supper in the so-  
ciety's rooms below the hall.Another event of local interest this  
evening is the second annual ball of the  
Foresters of America in Adams. Last  
year's success promises well for tonight,  
and a number will attend from here.  
Special cars will be run after the ball for  
those who return to this city.Friday evening will be next in impor-  
tance in the week. There will be concerts  
and dances by the Caledonian club, Clan  
McIntyre, a dance in Grand Army hall by  
the Pastime Social club, the Hose 3 dance,  
and the Drury 1900 hop in Odd Fellows  
hall.Preparations for this latter are now  
actively under way, and the youngest  
class to indulge in a hop of its own  
hopes to equal the two previous class af-  
fairs that have been held. The committee  
of arrangements consists of Miss Bene-  
dict, Miss Boland, Miss Cady, Miss Sm-  
mott, J. Quinn, J. M. Chambers, H. H.  
Hardenbergh and R. E. McMillan. C.  
F. Welch will be floor director. Monroe's  
orchestra will furnish the music.There will be numerous private and  
smaller affairs through the week, and on  
Saturday the kirkness will begin. Prepara-  
tions for this are now very active. What  
is said to be a most wonderful voice has  
been discovered in a little 5 years old girl  
named Lawton, whose tones are said to be  
remarkably pure and sweet. She is being  
trained and will sing at the afternoon  
performances.

## Death of Mrs. Abbott.

Mrs. Maria Abbott of Calais, Me., died  
this morning at the home of her daugh-  
ter, Mrs. J. P. Church, 128 River street, in  
the 71st year of her age. Her death was  
caused by acute bronchitis, with which  
she had been sick for two weeks.Mrs. Abbott came to this city last fall  
and spent the winter with her son and  
daughter, G. B. Abbott and Mrs. Church.  
She was well when she came and enjoyed  
good health until attacked by her fatal  
illness. She had also made many ac-  
quaintances here and was much esteemed  
by those who had come to know her.Mrs. Abbott's husband, John Abbott,  
died a year ago last February. She leaves  
two sons and four daughters, the two  
above mentioned being the only ones  
living in this city. Three others, Fred  
Abbott of Calais, Me., Mrs. W. H. Fuller  
and Miss Emma Abbott of Lowell, had  
been called here by their mother's illness,  
so that all but one of her children were  
with her at the time of her death.The body will be taken on the 1.27 train  
Tuesday morning to Calais, Me., where  
the funeral will be held and the burial  
take place.

## Death of Mrs. Sanguinet.

Margaret, wife of Charles Sanguinet,  
died Saturday at her home in Clarkburg  
above Houghtonville, aged 63 years. She  
had lived in this vicinity for many years  
and was respected by all who knew her.  
She leaves besides her husband several  
adult children, one son being Fred San-  
guinet, the well known steeple repairer.  
The funeral will be held at Notre Dame  
church Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock and  
the burial will be in Southview cemetery.

## Bishop Lawrence Here Tonight.

Bishop Lawrence of the Massachusetts  
diocese of Episcopal churches is expected  
here this evening. He will confirm a class  
of 30 adults at St. John's Episcopal  
church. The confirmation exercises will  
begin at 8.15 o'clock immediately after  
the annual church meeting which will be  
held at 7 o'clock. It is quite likely that  
the Bishop will be the guest of Rev. J. C.  
Tebbetts over night.

## A New Candidate.

The license commissioner question is  
a complicated one by the announced can-  
didacy of Jackson L. Temple, who has  
entered the field at the urgent request of  
his friends. Mr. Temple was formerly  
chairman of the Republican city commit-  
tee. His friends will urge his claims with  
the mayor against those of C. W. Don-  
net. One or two other candidates are  
mentioned, but have not allowed the use  
of their names in print.

## Death of Mrs. Healey.

Marie L., wife of Thomas Healey, died  
this morning at the home of her father,  
Stanislaus Gregory, 29 East Union street,  
aged 19 years. She was an accomplished  
and popular young woman and her un-  
timely death is a severe blow to her  
family and many friends.If you are not feeling well, why don't  
you take Hood's Sarsaparilla? It will  
purify and enrich your blood and do you  
wonderful good.\*We have a fine supply of sorted hard  
wood, both sawed and split. Call, write  
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it. They are up to date with all the im-  
proved machinery and have one of the  
best equipped repair shops in the country.\*Prof. M. V. Meade will open his danc-  
ing classes in Division 10 A. O. H. hall  
with a social Tuesday evening. The Fri-  
day afternoon class will meet Tuesday at  
8.30.

## BICYCLE FACE ON MAIN STREET.

Pedestrians in Danger and Enforce-  
ment of Law Needed.Bicycle face is being developed in this  
city on the countenances of some hun-  
dreds of scorcher at the rate of about 20  
miles an hour along Main street. There  
is a state law which declares this to be  
entirely too fast. And as a result, the bi-  
cycle dodging face is being developed on  
the faces of some thousands of inoffensive  
citizens whose only fault was in attempt-  
ing to cross Main street.The pavement on this street is being  
developed as a race track in an alarming  
way. The necessity of guarding against  
this did not arise last fall, as the paving  
was completed so late, but with the  
opening of the bicycle season, it is  
promptly seen that action must be taken.The state law on the subject of fast  
riding does away with the necessity of a  
city ordinance. Many scorcher have  
thought that the absence of such an  
ordinance made it allowable for them to  
knock all the pedestrians they wished to.  
The police will soon inaugurate a crusade  
against this dissipation, and already have  
the names of some who have most per-  
sistently violated the law. Any com-  
plaints from citizens will be promptly  
investigated.It has come to such a pass already that  
many, especially older people, are almost  
afraid to attempt the passage of Main  
street. One prominent merchant has told  
his children not to try it, for fear of  
being run over, and many narrow escapes  
are reported. One woman was knocked  
down Saturday afternoon, and this morn-  
ing three reckless riders took tumbles in  
trying, in one case unsuccessfully, to avoid  
collisions.It is not merely the pedestrians who  
complain. A prominent wheelman this  
morning said that the senseless scorcher  
was as offensive to the ordinary man on a  
wheel, and about as dangerous, as to the  
man on foot. It is probable, from the  
complaints already made, that the fast  
riding will not be allowed to make the  
street dangerous much longer.

## A Sprague Electrical Corps.

Frank J. Sprague, formerly of this city,  
and now vice-president of the Sprague  
Electric company of New York City, is  
organizing an emergency corps of electri-  
cians and electrical engineers to work in  
conjunction with the New York State  
National Reserve in the event of hostilities.  
Mr. Sprague is a graduate of the Annapolis  
Naval Academy. He has communi-  
cated his plan to the assistant secretary  
of the navy and says it has received Mr.  
Roosevelt's indorsement and that of Capt.  
Jacob W. Miller, commander of the Naval  
Reserve of New York.Mr. Sprague has invited electricians and  
engineers who want to join the proposed  
auxiliary corps to write to room 1511,  
Commercial Cable building, stating age,  
address, and place of employment. Un-  
married men are preferred.

## End of a 47-Cent Horse.

Sheriff Fuller Saturday commissioned  
James Anderson of Pittsfield the local  
agent for the society for the prevention of  
cruelty to animals, as deputy sheriff for  
criminal business. Mr. Anderson was in  
Pittsfield Saturday, and while visiting a  
moment in a law office saw a horse pass-  
ing which he thought ought not to be  
driven. He stopped the driver, found  
that the animal belonged to a firm in the  
city doing a good business and had cost  
them only 47 cents. They agreed to kill  
the horse on the officer's threat of prose-  
cution.

## 'A Star Pitcher.'

Sunday's New York papers speak very  
highly of Peter McBride of Adams, who  
is pitcher for Manhattan college baseball  
team. He pitched five innings against  
the New York giants Saturday afternoon  
and during that time the giants scored  
one run. McBride struck out four men  
and made a two-base hit. After the fifth  
inning McBride retired and although the  
score when he retired was 1 to 1 yet the  
game ended 16 to 1 in favor of the  
leaguers. People who saw the game say  
McBride is a star.

## More Sheriff Talk.

A prominent Pittsfield Democrat is said  
by the Republican to be authority for the  
statement that ex-Sheriff Crosby would  
be in the field next fall as candidate  
against Sheriff Fuller. The Democrats of  
this city have talked considerably of Mr.  
Crosby's chances and with Chief Nichol-  
son of Pittsfield as a very possible choice  
if he will take the nomination, is the  
chief candidate talked of. There has  
been a report that the Pittsfield chief  
would not run, but nothing definite has  
been heard from him by local men.

## Captured Gen. Lee.

There is living at Savoy Four Corners a  
man named David White whose name has  
been mentioned quite frequently of late.  
He is a veteran of the civil war and be-  
longed to the 37th regiment. The reason  
that his name is especially noteworthy at  
this time is because he captured General  
Custis Lee during a battle at Sailor's  
Creek near Richmond, Va. General Cus-  
tis Lee is a cousin of General Fitzhugh  
Lee, the present consul general at  
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## EASTER IN THE CHURCHES.

Large Audiences in Spite of the  
Weather.Easter is one of the few Sundays in the  
year when weather makes little difference  
in attendance on the church services. In  
spite of the fact that it was an "umbrella  
Easter" large audiences filled all the  
local churches and displayed new crea-  
tions in the way of apparel.More than the usual attention was given  
to the music, and the results were worthy  
of the highest praise in all the churches.  
As is natural, the Catholic churches paid  
the greatest attention to the festival, and  
at both St. Francis and Notre Dame the  
churches were crowded. At St. Francis,  
Rev. C. E. Burke spoke at the 10.30 mass  
and Rev. George Flynn in the evening.At the Episcopal church the music was  
also the principal feature. In the evening  
the Sunday school festival was held, and  
375 potted plants were given to the chil-  
dren. The offerings during the day were  
over \$1,000.The Baptist concert in the evening  
drew a large audience, the cantata by  
the large choir being well rendered. The  
primary department of the Baptist Sun-  
day school gave an Easter concert at 12  
o'clock. A large number of the friends  
of the school were present and the pro-  
gram of music, recitations, etc., was ren-  
dered in a manner which offered much  
pleasure to the large audience.At the Congregational church Rev. W.  
L. Tenney was able to preach, and gave  
an Easter sermon on peace, saying that  
every resource should be used to avoid  
war, but that the country should uphold  
its honor at any cost.An enjoyable concert was given by the  
Sunday school at the East Mountain  
chapel at 3 o'clock. The chapel was filled  
and the singing and speaking by the  
children were very creditable. The pro-  
gram was successfully carried out and  
was greatly enjoyed by old and young.

## The Linwood Mills Sold.

Stephen W. Barker, owner of the Lin-  
wood mills at Briggsville, is expected in  
this city tomorrow or Wednesday. It is  
expected that then he will state definitely  
how far the negotiations for the sale of the  
mills have proceeded. Nothing has been  
heard from him on the subject directly  
for some days, but his last statement was  
to deny that the mills had been sold. E.  
H. Farnsworth, however, who is one of  
the firm said to have purchased the  
property, told a friend within a few days  
that the deal was completed and that he,  
with R. A. Howat and R. A. Strong, all of  
Lawrence, had bought the mills.

## Loving Husband from Pittsfield.

There were two cases of assault in court  
today and neither was finished. Thomas  
Wilcox was accused of assaulting his  
wife Saturday night. She is visiting here  
and he came up to see her, via several  
saloons or so, it is claimed. The result-  
ing meeting was said to be too warm for  
even a very loving man and wife, as  
Thomas is alleged to have attacked his  
wife. The evidence is all in, but no de-  
cision has been made.—Dr. W. E. Brown entertained the  
guests of the sanatorium Sunday evening  
with an informal talk on the history and  
treatment of cancer which was very en-  
joyable and instructive.

## BLACKINTON.

Miss Annie Eadie left town today to  
spend a week with friends in Cohoes,  
N. Y.Mr. and Mrs. John Mills of Meriden,  
Conn., are here to attend the funeral of  
Mr. Richard Ashton.A daughter was born Sunday evening to  
Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Fleming, Jr.Mr. and Mrs. John Uncles and family  
wish to thank their neighbors and friends  
for the many kind acts and words of  
sympathy shown during the last ill-  
ness of Mrs. Uncles' mother, Mrs. Jane  
Green.The funeral of Richard Ashton was  
held at the Blackinton church this after-  
noon at 2.30 o'clock and was largely  
attended. Rev. J. H. Spencer officiated  
and the burial was in the Blackinton  
cemetery.The Easter music at the Blackinton  
Union church Sunday afternoon was ex-  
ceptionally fine, and greatly appreciated  
by the large congregation present, who in  
addition to the fine music listened to a  
very able sermon by Rev. W. L. Tenney.  
The pulpit was surrounded by a choice  
collection of potted plants, Easter lilies  
and other flowers. The choir is under  
the leadership of Prof. O. A. Archer, with  
Harry Garstang as organist. In the  
morning very interesting Catholic ser-  
vices were held in Temperance hall, and  
a fine sermon preached by Rev. Father  
Fallon of Williamstown on the "Resur-  
rection." The evening services at the  
Blackinton church were conducted by  
Rev. Mr. Sedgwick and St. John's choir  
of Williamstown and were very largely  
attended. A very pleasing feature was  
the violin playing of Miss Jennie Klusey.

## POWNA.

J. W. Wright was at North Pownal  
Thursday to meet State's Attorney Bates,  
relative to the disposition of the cases of  
Landlord Pratt of that place. Mr. Wright  
is indefatigable in the enforcement of the law so  
long as the statutes contain it.The listers are busy now. A. E. Towles  
has the work for this end of the town.  
School monies were divided at the  
Centre today.Uncle Sam, Why are You Waiting?  
Come Right to Our Store and See  
OUR

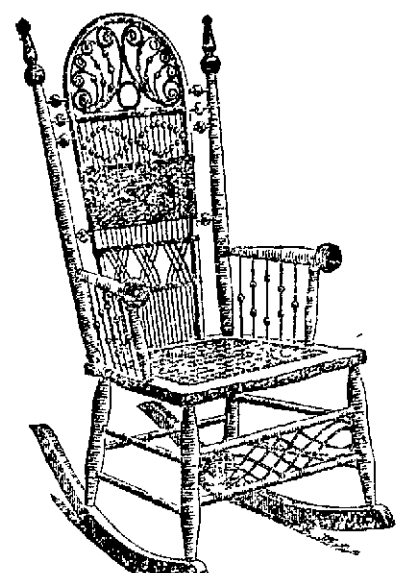
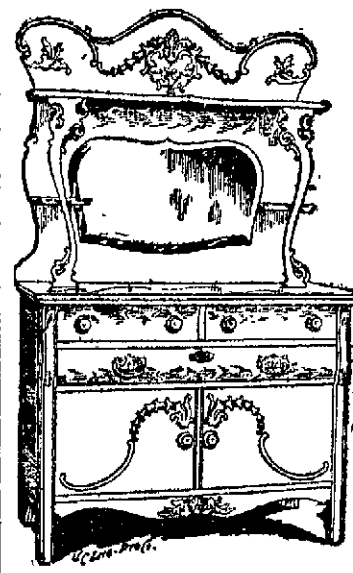
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